

TO MAKE A SMALL FORTUNE IN MAINE ONE MUST FIRST START WITH A VERY LARGE ONE—Bud Stearnes

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Chamber, town officials discuss business, growth

By WENDY D. HANSOM

What is the future of business growth in the Bethel Area and what can the surrounding town officials and the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce plan in determining future growth?

Town officials and Chamber members met last Thursday night to discuss the question.

While some people think it is the town's job to attract new businesses, others think the Chamber ought to be doing more.

In a recent general membership meeting of the Chamber comments made by business people expressed that their experience with various boards in Bethel had been "anti-business."

While this may not be the attitude of the Chamber as a whole, similar sentiments were raised at this meeting, also.

Bill Jenson of Sunday River Ski Resort said, "The town has to have a vision for what it wants to be. My perception is that it's difficult to start a new business (here), but I don't know whether the perception is true or not."

Reggie Brown, chairman of the Bethel Planning Board, said it's "no fault of the town or planning board, if they (prospective businesses) don't build... A lot of approved projects go nowhere."

Brown added that only one project had been turned down since his appointment to the board.

Harry Faulkner, owner of the Backstage Restaurant, said, "It may be the perception that the planning board is obstructive, but I've never had a hit of trouble."

When talk turned to attracting new businesses, it was pointed out that Rt. 2 from New Hampshire into Maine is second only to Kittery as a traffic corridor.

One suggestion for getting people to stop in the Bethel area and leave some of their money behind was to put up "Welcome to Bethel" signs to let people

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POPPY DAYS COMING—Shonna Lynn Young, Mundt Allen Unit No. 81's Miss Poppy for 1990, presents Bethel Town Manager Rodney Lynch with the season's first poppy, to commemorate Poppy Days, May 18-19. Shonna will be on Main Street on those days distributing poppies. Shonna, 5, is the daughter of James and Nancy Young, and she resides with her parents and a brother, Joshua, on Lovers Lane in Bethel. She is a kindergarten student at the Crescent Park School.

Andover residents discuss withdrawing from SAD #44

Andover Middle School parent Kim Zytewicz met with the Andover selectmen Tuesday night to urge them to attend the May 22 Newry selectmen meeting at the Newry town office.

At present, 25 percent of money raised in Newry goes to the SAD #44 school district, and it costs that town \$12,500 per year per student to belong to the district. These costs have raised discussion of the possibility of Newry withdrawing from the school district.

Less than five percent of the students in SAD #44 are from Newry. Andover's cost per pupil is presently about \$3,000.

"If the amount of Newry's contribution is withdrawn," Zytewicz said, "the remaining towns will be asked to make up the difference. It may be less expensive for Andover to tuition the students out. I urge you to go to the meeting and find out Andover's options as a state Education Department representative will be

there."

The representative she referred to is Richard Card from the state Department of Educational and Cultural Services, and SAD #44 superintendent Dewaine Craig will also be present.

"At the meeting that was held in regard to bringing seventh and eighth graders back to Andover," Zytewicz said, "a lot was discussed as to the cost of building, the cost of teachers and of heat. What wasn't discussed was the fact that the district is reimbursed for these costs the following year."

The state funding formula is based on property valuation in a town, and not directly on the amount the town spends for education. Reimbursement, generally, is on a two-year lagtime.

Zytewicz was the originator of the petition presented to the SAD #44 Board seek-

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Hotham announces candidacy for Maine Senate District 8

Randy E. Hotham recently announced that he is a candidate for the State Senate in District 8.

A resident of Dixfield, Hotham is employed by Boise Cascade in Rumford and is a member of the United Paperworkers International Union Local 900.

Hotham said he decided to run for the Senate when he heard that Senator Edgar E. Erwin would not be seeking re-election.

"I saw an opportunity to redefine the issues that affect the people of District 8 and to make Auguste aware of and responsive to these issues," Hotham said.

On one front, Hotham reiterated his faith in the free market system.

"Most politicians," the candidate stressed, "say they are for fiscal constraint, but I believe that it's about time our representatives practice not only restraint but responsibility. I'm sick and tired of standing by and watching the legislature in Augusta tax and spend us to death. The people in my district should be up in arms. Honest people are being forced out of their homes by excessive property taxes, and young people, many of whom I work with, cannot afford to buy a home. I will work to see to it that if the state mandates a program that impacts local taxes, they find the courage to stand up and pay for it."

On a second front, Hotham stated his firm support for labor. "These have not been good years for labor in the state of Maine and I want to do what I can to change that picture. What happened to my fellow workers in Rumford and Jay is unacceptable. The scales have been tipped against the workers, and I will do whatever I can to restore a balance."

Hotham, a Rumford High School graduate, is a lifelong resident of District 8. He attended the University of Southern



Randy Hotham

Maine and is a member of Blazing Star Lodge 30, AF & A.M. of Rumford and Kora Shrine of Lewiston.

Hotham is married to former Mexico resident Patricia Masalsky and has two children, Brian, age 12, and Kimberly age 2.

District 8 includes the towns of Avon, Carrabassett, Jay, Rangeley, Temple, Weld and Wilton, the plantations of Dallas, Rangeley and Sandy River, and the unorganized territories of North Franklin and South Franklin in Franklin County.

In Oxford County, the district consists of Andover, Bethel, Byron, Canton, Dixfield, Gilford, Hanover, Mexia, Milton Township, Newry, Roxbury, Rumford, Upton, the plantations of Lincoln, Magalloway and the unorganized territory of North Oxford.

Italian diary: Area residents travel abroad

By ANN MORTON

The day for which we had planned for five months finally arrived and 25 students and adults boarded the bus at Mountain Valley High School; destination, Italy.

At Logan Airport in Boston we were joined by four others and had our first test: a group check-in and a sprint to the gate where our jet was to be boarded.

After a short stop at J.F. Kennedy Airport in New York we boarded a 747 bound for our overnight, seven-hour flight to Rome.

Our arrival, meeting our guide, Cleire, and driving to our hotel on the Mediterranean Coast had an unreal quality. This changed when we arrived at St. Peter's Square that Easter morning and recognized the voice over the loudspeaker and the mitered white-robed figure at the outdoor alter.

For most, hearing and seeing Pope John Paul celebrate Easter mass in Latin was an inspiring Yes, we were really in Rome!

That day and the next we explored the Eternal City by bus, subway and on foot.

We ate pasta, practiced our Italian in restaurants and shops, climbed the

Spanish steps to admire the azaleas, photographed the Coliseum, the Forum, the Bernini fountains and the Circus Maximus.

On a sunny, warm day in Florence we visited the Tomb of Michelangelo, Duomo, Galileo and Machiavelli at the Croce Church and toured the fabulous Duomo Cathedral.

During six hours of free time we dispersed in small groups armed with a city map to go to the Uffizi Gallery, shop on the Ponte Vecchio and the huge flea market, find leather and Florentine souvenirs, or try new foods and gelati.

Part of the group elected to climb the 464 steps to the top of Duomo. The narrow, winding steps took us to the base of the dome; we went half-way around on the people and the nave below, then continued to climb the steps between the octagonal inside dome and the round outside one.

The view of Florence when we stepped outside on top of the dome was well worth the climb.

When the whole group assembled at the assigned meeting place to proceed to

BAKED BEAN & CASSEROLE SUPPER

Sat., May 19, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bethel Methodist Church
Adult \$4.00, under 12 \$2.00

YARD SALE

Sat., May 19, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Arthur Cummings
Vernon St., Bethel

a restaurant for dinner, there were happy stories and shopping "finds" to share.

On our boat trip to the Isle of Capri we were entertained by some of the adults who remembered the words and the music of the World War II song.

We marveled at the driving ability of our drivers as our mini-buses ascended the steep road to Anacapri at the top of the island.

Our climb-slip ride to the highest point was caused by lightning, rain, and high winds, but the sun was out again as we left Capri by hydrofoil on our way to Sorrento.

The team stayed out after we visited the inland wood factory, as we rode through vineyards and citrus orchards which occupied every bit of soil between houses.

Our hotel that evening overlooked the Bay of Naples and Sorrento, and we celebrated four birthdays among our group with traditional Sorrento chocolate/almond cakes.

We would have been happy to lengthen our stay at this cliff-top hotel, but we moved on the next day to travel along the Amalfi Coast to Pompeii.

Umbrellas and raincoats came out but nothing could keep us dry as we toured

the restored city which had been destroyed in 79 A.D. by the eruption of nearby Mt. Vesuvius.

Walking through the cobblestone streets between ancient shops, visiting the sites of public baths, a private villa and the red-light district made the life of

79 A.D. seem very real to us.

By the time we entered the Forum area, which was the center of commerce and government in ancient times, the sun was shining. The weather seemed to vary as much in Italy as it does in Maine.

After a visit to a cameo shop we boarded our bus for a five-hour ride over and through the Apennine Mountains to Brindisi, which is located on the eastern shore near the "heel of the boot" of Italy.

The countryside was green with vineyards and olive groves, and wild pop-

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Clean-Up Day

East Bethel Cemetery
Saturday, May 19
Rain Date: May 20

Wednesday, May 16, 1990

Opinions

Bethel Development Corporation

It's a good thing Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce members and area town officials, particularly Bethel town officials, sat down together last week and talked about attracting business to the area.

That they're exchanging ideas and information is good. That they are airing their different perspectives is good.

But within it all, not much has changed. The Chamber is still going to promote tourism and, when it gets the demographic information compiled, it's going to disseminate it to prospective bed and breakfast owners, hopeful restaurateurs, shopkeepers-to-be.

And the local officials are still going to be up to their ears in work, dealing with solid waste disposal, wastewater treatment plants, recycling, fire departments.

As it should be. So who is to do the work of seeking out and courting the kinds of businesses that will put our area's former GAMM II employees, for example, back to work?

We hear there used to be a local development corporation, though when, and what it did and why it ceased to exist, we don't yet know.

Typically, a town development corporation is made up of local business people who, through their own businesses, have contacts outside the immediate area, who are connected to the business grapevine and who can offer their knowledge of the local area to interested parties.

While it is unlikely that, during these difficult economic times, any significant new business would be won over right away, the economy won't stay flat forever.

Now is the time to plan, to get organized.

It is time to resurrect the Bethel Development Corporation.

—CCC

FROM THE Bethel Town Office

This week's column will be devoted to discussing money matters, including the town's FY91 (July 1, 1990-June 30, 1991) budget, and updating the taxpayers and sewer users on the status of the sewage treatment plant upgrade work.

FY 91 budget review

After much discussion and deliberation, the selectmen and budget committee members have completed their review and recommendation for the town's FY91 budget.

The selectmen's recommended FY91 budget shows a 3.85 percent increase over FY90. This increase is in contrast to the SAD #4 budget increase of 7.95 percent, or twice Bethel's percentage increase. Also, the town's budget is below the rate of inflation.

Bethel was able to keep its budget increase down for several reasons. First, the selectmen and budget committee members were presented with a no-fault conservative budget by the town manager. Secondly, the town has been quite successful in finding other revenue sources. And thirdly, after the budget was presented we were able to find further cost savings. For example, we were able to reduce the cost of removing and replacing the underground fuel tanks from \$25,000 to \$7,500. (A special appreciation is extended to Public Works Foreman Robert Pilgrim for his efforts in finding ways to reduce the cost of this project.)

As a note, I feel that the primary function of every administrator, who either works for the Town of Bethel or for SAD #4 or for the Oxford County government, and whose salary is paid in whole or in part from Bethel property taxes, is to find savings in the cost of their operations and to find other revenues in which to help fund their operations, with the savings to be passed onto the taxpayers in the form of reduced property taxes.

Needless to say, the Town of Bethel has been successful in funding other non-property tax revenues in which to pay for the cost of providing municipal services.

Between 1986 and 1990, through the efforts of the selectmen and town manager, the amount of non-property tax revenues increased by \$42,981. (This amount does not include the amount of the Community Development Block Grant for which we are presently applying for; sewer lines, storm drains and water line improvements, nor does it include the grant for the construction of a new runway at the airport which amounted to \$40,120.)

These non-property tax revenues have included a grant to help pay for repairing the sewage plant and increases in ambulance, fire, landfill assessment fees, subdivision and site plan fees, sewer impact fees, CEO (Code Enforcement Office) fees and professional service charges as well as the public road improvement to Bird Hill Road performed by a private developer.

Because of the foundation that has been laid during the past four years, non-property tax revenues for the town will continue to rise in the future.

Concerning the matter of finding cost savings in the town's operations, we are presently in the process of investigating alternative private health insurance plans for our employees.

Sewage plant upgrade

The construction work for the sewage treatment plant upgrade work is approximately 80 percent completed. The plant work will be substantially completed by June 1 with final completion by July 1, 1990.

The town was recently awarded a \$125,000 grant from the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development to help defray some of the engineering costs for the sewer line and storm drain replacement work on Mason Street, Spring Street, Main Street, Elm Street, High Street and for Sanding Brook. Eight firms applied to do the engineering work. Last Monday evening the selection committee interviewed the three finalists. The completion of this engineering work will not only assist us in completing our Community Development Block Grant application but also will enable us to begin the engineering work for replacing all of the necessary sewer lines and storm drains in the village area. So, we are on our way.

In closing, both the selectmen and myself wish to extend our thank you to the engineering firm of Bob Pilgrim and the highway crew for the fine job they did in picking up the brush materials, white goods, tires, etc. during clean-up week. The amount of white goods and tires that were picked up was certainly more than any of us had anticipated. Again thanks for a job well done.

Rodney Lynch
Town Manager

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KEEP \$80,000 IN BUDGET

To the Editor:

I think that before we allow emotionalism over rising taxes to remove programs such as elementary art, Focus, Outward Bound, etc. from the SAD #4 budget we should consider the cost on an

annual basis.

An increase of \$80,000 sounds like a lot of money until it is. However, when spread over the taxing units of the school district, the numbers become more manageable.

The tax rate increase necessary to raise each town's portion of the \$80,000 in question is one-quarter mil. Therefore, the increase in the tax bill of an owner of a \$50,000 property would be \$12.50.

If a taxpayer truly feels that the program in question will not produce benefits to SAD #4 students worth his individual contribution, he should vote against them. If, however, he sees value in the higher quality of educational experience possible with these programs, I hope that he will work to keep them in place.

The issue that most taxpayers seem concerned with is the total increase in taxes. I feel that it is foolish to voice that concern by cutting educational programs that will benefit today's children and tomorrow's leaders.

Steve Wight
Newry

SORRY SOME FEEL "SNOOKERED"

To the Editor:

I apologize to the citizens of SAD #4 who feel they were "snooked" by my proposal at the May 3 school budget meeting. I have only recently moved into the area and was not present for the 1986 school budget meeting. I did not realize that the SAD #4 Area had a special form of government and it was necessary to have a public debate in the local newspapers prior to the meeting; I always thought that was what the meeting was for.

I have three children who are just starting the educational ladder. I am very concerned that if they do not have the opportunity for exceptional education, they will not be able to compete in the market.

In my opinion, the area's condominiums are a benefit to the district. I realize some people believe the condominiums in Bethel require extensive town services; however, there are over 680 condominium units in Newry which contribute to the district's tax base without sending a single student to school.

One of the bright spots in that whole sad affair was the preservation of its organ which she had heard on countless occasions throughout her childhood. It was acquired by the late Edward H. Hastings, who I recall invited her to come to his house and he would play it for her. She was thrilled by this opportunity, but Emeline was a great procrastinator. Mr. Hastings died in 1987 and now Emeline has gone without ever hearing it once. The organ is now owned by the Bethel Historical Society, and I can't pass it without thinking of Emeline and her devotion to Gilead.

Stanley R. Howe, Director
Bethel Historical Society

TIME FOR INPUT IS PRIOR TO MAY 3 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE

To the Editor:

Citizens vote on the school budget in the spring, but the budget process begins in the winter. The schools send their proposed list of needs to the superintendent, and the school board then holds open budget sessions to examine the budget.

The public is invited to participate in this series of meetings as the school board considers the proposed budget and in years such as this, directs the superintendent to make adjustments in order to cut the budget before it is given out to the committees for approval.

This past winter the board directed the superintendent to make major cuts in the school budget. Programs and positions

such as the elementary art teacher, Outward Bound, and Creative and Talented, to name a few, were excluded from the budget in order to cut costs for the district's taxpayers.

At the last budget workshop meeting, Supt. Craig announced that he met with several teachers at the high school to give them fair warning that if the budget was to be cut any more, he would have to consider their positions.

It is important for citizens to understand the budget process in order to attend meetings and share their point of view.

Marguerite Graham
Bethel

NEVER SAID ANY SUCH THING

To the Editor:

I have avoided writing "To the Editor" for the past few years since I don't believe that school board business should be argued in this forum.

Now I feel compelled to write. In the May 9, 1990 edition of the Bethel Citizen, under the headline "Vote Hikes SAD #4 Budget \$80,000," you stated, "Board Chairman Margaret Hand said she was pleased with the increased taxes."

During a telephone interview with staff writer Mike Daniels this question was never asked and I never said any such thing. Perhaps the lack of quotation marks around this statement removed any blame from Daniels for literary license.

What I did say was "Maybe the people of the district did what the Board of Directors felt they could not." I don't believe anyone is trying to pull a fast one on the people of the district as Daniels suggests in his editorial. We all want to give our children the very best education possible without causing anyone to lose their home.

I feel the blame should be laid where it belongs, in Augusta. The cutting of funding to the school district throughout the state has caused a sharp rise in property taxes. Our elected officials say, "no new taxes." In fact they are causing the property tax which is probably the most unfair to be increased, not by them but by local officials.

I will not apologize for my belief that we must pay for quality education. I do not believe that the funding of this education can continue to be placed on the property owner. We must find a better way.

I do understand the frustration of taxpayers in the district with the ever climbing cost of education. The mandates of the state, unfortunately, do not extend to mandating local people the money to pay for them. I would hope that Daniels would make more of an effort to quote someone accurately. Until that happens my reply to any of his questions will have to be, NO COMMENT.

Margaret M. Hand
Woodstock

(Editor's note: While we respectfully run Hand's letter here in our letters column, we continue to stand behind the accuracy of our reporter.)

BOY SCOUT FUND RAISER SEEKS VOLUNTEER HELP

To the Editor:

I am interested in starting a group of parents, friends, relatives, and community members to do some fundraising for our Bethel Boy Scout Troop 55.

This would be in addition to our regular Scout fundraisers which at this time are limited to 1) Tom Watt; 2) popcorn sales, and 3) a night out with the boys.

I am involved in other organizations,

TELSTAR'S BETTER ASPECTS

To the Editor:

As a parent, former Telstar student and tax paying citizen I would like to bring to your attention a few of the better aspects of Telstar.

Telstar has some really good teachers

and courses of study. One that comes quickly to mind are the Science Department. I can remember some years back when the team of Fiske and Kersey won state wide recognition as outstanding physics teachers.

Physics is Phun! was on buttons, banners and in the paper.

Another good program is Mr. Morton's World Studies class. Completing with a good grade meant doing some real studying.

Telstar has a strong foreign language program. Both of the teachers involved

have many years of experience and demand performance from their students.

The English Department is made up of caring individuals who seem very interested in what they are doing. Also they are willing to go the extra mile for the kids.

A couple of examples are Mrs. Melville, who has taken groups on her own to productions in Portland; Mrs. Taylor, who has been to Montreal on her vacation time; and Mr. Tornrose, who has been involved with Track as a volunteer. And I am sure there are many more examples of strong commitment.

Speaking of track, there are 70-plus kids involved in the program and they need a track to run on. All their meets have to be done away from Bethel. This puts extra strain on time, busing and parents who want to watch.

Mr. and Mrs. Kersey, Mr. Appling and all the student managers and helpers along with the team members put in many hours and a lot of effort.

A program with such a large percentage of the student body in it should get the support it is due by having the facilities needed.

Perhaps if the taxpayers don't take back the extra money they voted to give to the district, some of it might be able to help build a track.

Christine Hanscom
Bethel



THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

The 11th annual Faye Taylor Memorial Art Show will be held on Saturday, May 26 at the Dr. Moses Mason House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The show honors a founding member of the Bethel Historical Society who was also an artist much interested in student art activities.

Students in grades one through six throughout SAD #4 have been invited to compete for prizes in three divisions.

This year's theme is "Everyday Life in the Past." Students who participate will be judged by a panel of three judges on how closely their work relates to the theme.

Sunday, May 27, the Bethel Historical Society will observe Dr. Moses Mason's 201st birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m.

The Dr. Moses Mason House will open for its 17th season on July 1. As usual, tours will be available from 1-4 p.m. Volunteers are always needed to conduct tours. Anyone interested in becoming a guide should call the Society office at 624-2908. A guide orientation is held in June to assist in the training process.

LOOKING BACK

Ten years ago: The Bethel Highway Department removed the fountain from the Bethel Common due to its badly deteriorated condition.

The Criminal Law Education Program at Telstar Regional High School offered a project "Ride-a-long" for participating students.

Forty-five alumni, parents, and faculty of Gould Academy met at the Philbrook Farm Inn for the fourth annual gathering.

Deaths: Mark L. Hutchins, Death: Per-
y O. Brinck, Arthur R. Millett, Lillian G. French.

Fifty years ago: Leslie Turner of Wentworth Localion and Howard Hart of Wilson's Mills were drowned in the Swift Diamond River when their boat capsized while running the falls.

Several roads were under water for two days after a steady rain.

Summer Sewall of Bath was the featured speaker at the Bethel Chamber of Commerce; he was a Republican candidate for governor.

Births: Milan Herbert Conner. Marriage: Stanley R. Brown

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THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN, BETHEL, MAINE

Opinions

Multiple Use warned of battle for public and private land control

Members of the Multiple Use Association, at their annual meeting May 7 in Portland, heard five speakers from the western United States warn that the battle for control of both public and private lands is moving from the West to the Northeast and that ignoring the issue will not make it go away.

In the West, increasing pressure from preservation groups has resulted not only in ever-decreasing amounts of public land available for timbering and traditional recreation but also has taken control of private land out of the hands of land owners through such concepts as greenlining.

Bruce Vincent, who along with his father and brothers operates a logging company in Libby, Mo., first became active in land use issues when the U.S. Forest Service wanted to increase the grizzly bear population from four bears to 96 bears, using untried methods, in an area right next to his home.

Vincent, who was recently featured in a story about Earth First! on CBS's Sixty Minutes, was successful in uniting people over a thousand square-mile area of Montana to force the USFS to alter the grizzly bear reclamation project so that it would not have a negative impact on the people of Montana or on the bears themselves.

Vincent believes that in the 70's, leaders of some of our environmental groups started spreading what he calls the BIG LIE. The lie is that America has two choices, destruction or preservation.

Faced with this choice and unaware of the negative environmental and economic impact, most people will choose preservation.

This move away from conservation and wise use of natural resources to preservation and no use of natural resources has had an effect not only on logging but on mining, ranching, farming and many other traditional rural occupations.

Vincent stressed the need for all of us who have a concern about this trend to get involved, to form grassroots groups that will have an effect on public policy.

Joseph Wrabec, mayor of Cascade Lockes, Ore. described how greenlining has affected life in the Columbia River Gorge area where he lives.

Greenlining, which Wrabec refers to as "getting a park on the cheap," is the practice of regulating by appointed commission the private use of private land in the interest of public health and safety, without compensation to the owners."

This "greenline" is expected which the U.S. Forest Service is expected to recommend for much of northern New England and has had a profound effect on the way of life in the Gorge area.

Twelve lumber mills have shut down because timber harvesting has almost ceased to exist.

As a result, utility rates and taxes have increased while services and industry have declined. The area is not marketable for new industry, and people are moving out.

Perry Pendley, President and Chief Legal Officer of the Mountain States Legal Foundation in Denver, Colo., believes "free enterprise and limited government, the right to own and use property and in individual liberties."

His examples pointed out how absurd are some of the actions taken in the name of environmentalism.

He told the story of a couple who bought a thousand acres of ranch land in North Powder, Ore., with a FMHA loan. When they fell on hard times, an FMHA official advised them to give back the land with a lease-back, buy-back option, and the couple agreed. When they recovered and wanted to buy back their land, they were told that the Fish and Wildlife Services wanted their land as a wetlands easement.

The owners replied that, of course, it was not wetlands, because they had irrigated it, and the Fish and Wildlife Service said, "Well, that's why we want to protect it." So they declared 635 of the 1,000 acres to be used as wetlands and told the owners they could not raise cattle there. It cut the core out of their ranch.

Pendley explained that being environmentalist for him meant "clean air, clean water and no hazardous waste near my property, but it doesn't mean we stop timber harvesting, it doesn't mean we stop mining, it doesn't mean we stop exploring for oil and gas and developing energy resources. But for a lot of people, that's what it means."

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We need "to explain to the American people what the other side wants, what the other side prefers, what their preference is and I'm afraid it's an anti-people philosophy that goes far beyond the fringe elements of the (environmental) movement and goes to the core of their philosophy," he said.

Pendley said we can do a lot to change and improve this situation by learning what our children are reading in school, by building and keeping coalitions, by working at the local level and letting people know the price of some actions that are called environmental.

The final speaker was Chuck Cushman, executive director of the National Inholders Association and the Multiple Use Land Alliance.

Cushman told attendees that he can make a difference in the way things happen and urged them to have a good time doing it.

He stressed the importance of developing a mailing list of potential friends and supporters who can be called upon to fight issues.

He told the story of an 80-year-old miner whose camp was going to be condemned by the U.S. Forest Service.

On the day the Forest Service arrived, they were met by a large group of people carrying cameras. Rather than have their pictures taken evicting an old man, the Forest Service left and the old man was allowed to remain in his camp.

Cushman went on to say that the timber industry in all parts of the country puts too great an emphasis on trying to appear reasonable and in trying to meet with Maine's Congressional delegation.

Attorney Linda Gifford of Augusta said she and five other representatives of the Maine Realtors Association talked with members of the delegation about issues of importance to us here in Maine.

In particular, she said, the asked the Congressional delegation to try to keep the Veterans Administration office in Maine open, rather than closing it as is being considered, and consolidating VA headquarters in New Hampshire.

Also, Gifford said, they asked that Federal Housing Administration loan limits, now \$11,000 in some areas of Maine but expected to drop this year to

Bethel police report

On Sunday, May 13 at 5:30 p.m. police received a report of an attempted burglary at a Rt. 2 business where boards had been kicked out of an overhead door. The amount of damages was estimated at \$200.

At 1:50 p.m. an Eden Ridge resident requested assistance in unlocking a vehicle which had been locked with the keys left inside.

On Saturday, May 12 at 10:10 a.m. a Main Street business owner asked police to keep vehicles off his premises. He said no vehicles were allowed on his premises after business hours because he is tired of picking up trash when he comes to open.

At 11:20 p.m. a Concord, N.H. resident reported a vehicle/die accident on Rt. 2, about 300 feet east of the River View Motel. The vehicle sustained no damage. The deer was released to Richard F. Tyler of Locke Mills.

At 8:15 p.m. police received an anonymous complaint that a number of vehicles were parked illegally in the Broad Street area. Police offered a warning to the drivers of the cars at 9:20 p.m. and by 10 p.m. reported all vehicles in violation had been moved.

At 6:15 p.m. police received a report of a red Ford Escort driving to endanger on the Northwest Bethel Road.

On Friday at 10:15 p.m. a Rt. 2 resident reported a possible intoxicated

person, carrying what appeared to be a case of beer, walking along Rt. 2 in West Bethel. At 1:30 a.m. Officer Dale Bellman, Sr. found a door open at a Rt. 2 business. Bellman secured the door at the owners request.

On Tuesday at 4:35 p.m. Police Chief Brian Stowell, while on patrol, saw a male juvenile riding a skateboard on Church Street. Stowell issued a warning to the juvenile.

On Monday, May 7 at 2:20 p.m. a Falmouth resident reported that someone has been driving a bulldozer across his property on Bird Hill, knocking down trees. Also, the person reported, someone has been operating an ATV on his land, coming from the Gore Road end.

At 2 p.m. a Bethel Telstar student reported the theft of a pocketbook from the physics room at Telstar. The student also reported that the pocketbook had also been stolen about two weeks earlier from her locker. A custodian found the pocketbook the first time, in a trash in the boys' locker room.

At 4:40 p.m. a Locke Mills Telstar student reported her wallet had been stolen from her pocketbook, which had been left in her unlocked locker. The wallet was later found in a trash in the boys' locker room.

Western Maine Realtors meet at Bethel Inn

BY CHRISTY CROSS

A real estate attorney and lobbyist told the Western Maine Board of Realtors and Realtors Association members at their monthly meeting last week at the Bethel Inn that she had taken the opportunity while in Washington D.C. recently to meet with Maine's Congressional delegation.

Attorney Linda Gifford of Augusta said she and five other representatives of the Maine Realtors Association talked with members of the delegation about issues of importance to us here in Maine.

In particular, she said, the asked the Congressional delegation to try to keep the Veterans Administration office in Maine open, rather than closing it as is being considered, and consolidating VA headquarters in New Hampshire.

Also, Gifford said, they asked that Federal Housing Administration loan limits, now \$11,000 in some areas of Maine but expected to drop this year to

as low as \$80,000, be somehow tied to the housing market.

Other topics of discussion, she said, included:

- Changes to allow parents and grandparents of first time homebuyers to cash in IRA accounts without penalty to help buy a new home;

- Reinstating the capital gains tax exemption;

- The coastal barrier resource protection system, both on the east and west coasts, which is going to be expanded in a very fast track manner, she said.

- Speaking of the Maine real estate market, Gifford said, "There's nothing we can really put a finger on about what's going on."

The crux experience in the market between 1979 and 1981, she said, was caused by 18-percent interest rates; that's not happening now.

"Some believe it's psychological and people are pulling their horns in for no good reason," she said.

Gifford also updated the group on changes in the federal affirmative action and fair housing standards.

She said the laws, which changed a year ago, forbid discrimination against families with children and against people with handicaps, both physical and mental.

Summer rentals fall under these laws, she explained, as do mobile home parks. For example, if a person has a camp with really nice shore frontage for rent, realtors have to mention it to people with children as well as people without children, even though the realtors think it may be an inadvisable site for children.

"You have to let the (prospective renters) decide," she said.

Also, adults-only mobile home parks, or condominium developments for adults-only are illegal, unless the project qualifies as housing for the elderly, she said.

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INN OWNER LOW BRIDGED

JEEP JAMBOREE—One hundred and thirty-five Jeep enthusiasts, some from as far away as Washington State and California, were in town Friday and Saturday to take part in the Second Annual Maine Mountains Jeep Jamboree. The Jeeps traveled a number of local trails, including the steep and rocky road to the Greenwood ice caves. The ice cave road includes a couple of stream crossings. On one of the crossings, a narrow log bridge, Bethel Inn owner Dick Rasor hewed when he should have, and ended up slip sliding away. But the Jeeps were well prepared for such mishaps, and his jeep was soon winched to firm ground for a second, and successful, attempt to cross the bridge.

(Photos by Michael Daniels)



ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Andover

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ing to return the students to Andover.

The selectmen agreed to try to have one or more representatives at the Newry meeting.

Joseph Kenny of MCI, in regard to MCI's appeal on the 1989 assessment of their property, notified the selectmen that representatives of MCI are unwilling to come to a selectmen's meeting, but will deal directly with assessor Michael Austin who is making another assessment on the property for the town based on his expertise of such property.

Town Attorney Curtis Webber sent to the selectmen for their review a brief he prepared for the Property Tax Review Board in response to MCI's appeal.

Guy Molcher of Blue Rock has related to the company the selectmen's willingness to pay Blue Rock \$30,000 of the \$87,000 the town is holding if Blue Rock begins the repairs on East B Hill.

So far there has been no response from Blue Rock, which is in town doing work for the telephone company.

Fire Chief Ken Dixon told the selectmen that the fire department now has a Lifeline phone at the fire station for anyone who needs it.

An elderly person just has to press a button to ring a phone for help.

Dixon also told the town that he, in conjunction with the neighboring towns of Rumford, Roxbury, Dixfield, Canton,

and Peru, is in contact with AT&T about the possibility of using the Black Mountain tower for radio transmission.

In other business, "Children playing" signs will be installed at both ends of Farmers' Hill Road by the highway department.

The selectmen decided to prepare a contract to submit to the Oxford County Commissioners stating that they were willing to pay \$12.50 per hour for the presence of a part time sheriff, but were not willing to pay 25 cents per mile for the sheriff's mileage to and from his home. The contract has to be submitted prior to May 15 for approval by the commissioners.

Barry Swasey discussed plowing and maintenance of a portion of Sawyer Notch Road with the selectmen, and agreed to draw up a petition to be signed by interested residents and presented at the next town meeting.

In the meantime the county will be asked if the town can be reimbursed for some costs, since the road leads into the next township on a county-maintained road.

The selectmen tabled an item until next week's meeting to get about the selectmen's input on what should be done with town map 15. Surveyor Charles Burman had noted a discrepancy on the map necessitating a correction, and found the map scale was incorrect. The best way to correct it will

Trek Across Maine sees record number register

A record number of registrations have already been received by the American Lung Association of Maine for its annual bicycle Trek Across Maine—Sunday River to the Sea.

"It's possible we could be turning bicyclists away if they don't get their registrations in soon. Six hundred will be our limit," says Peter King, Trek director for the Lung Association.

Because we care, all bicyclists must wear a helmet and abide by a code of riding rules," says King.

Ninety percent of the bicyclists are from Maine and the others are from throughout the northeast and as far away as Colorado.

The ride takes place the weekend of June 15-17 and has overnight stops at the University of Maine at Farmington and Colby College.

The completion is scheduled for the River to the Sea.

The ride is fully supported with mechanics, sag wagons, medical support and planned rest stops.

"Safety will be the primary emphasis during the three days of the trek.

In compliance with a forestry service request, the selectmen will seek the use of a large bulldozer to clear the dump area of scattered paper which is a fire hazard. The amount of paper was larger than first thought. It will also be determined if a snow fence still stands to capture the paper which has been blowing into trees around the dump.

CMP will be contacted by administrative assistant Rebecca Schaefer as to its progress in installing electricity on South Arm Road, which was requested by a small majority of the residents.

Because the selectmen had to attend a Maine Mountain Association meeting at the Madison last night, the regular selectmen meeting this week will be held tonight, Wednesday, at 6 p.m. at the town office.

Additional fire, rescue and police personnel from surrounding towns have been invited to participate.

With the cooperation of training personnel from the Bethel Area Rescue Squad, SAD #44 transportation personnel have held monthly training sessions in preparation for this event.

This mock bus accident will take place during the morning on Route 35.

Individuals directly involved in this exercise for training will include: the bus driver and 25 students, 25 ambulance personnel, 10 Telstar students in the Outdoor Skills Leadership Class, 15 firemen, five policemen, and 25 additional bus drivers.

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The SAD #44 Transportation Department and the Bethel Ambulance Service wish to express their appreciation to all those who have volunteered their time and effort to allow our bus drivers the opportunity to become better prepared to carry out the important job of safely transporting the students in SAD #44.

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From the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

The annual awards banquet Thursday, May 17 at the Bethel Inn is the Chamber's opportunity to honor deserving citizens who have given of themselves. Last minute reservations may be made on Wednesday evening by calling 824-2338. Buffet dinner tickets are \$10 a person.

Capitol For the Day

Tuesday, May 29 will be a special day for the Bethel area. We will be hosting the governor and his commissioners in the 38th Capitol For the Day, which was a program started in 1987. A complete schedule of events will be announced next week's paper although the highlight of the day will be a luncheon held at White Cap Lodge at Sunday River, hosted by the Chamber. More details will also be in next week's paper.

The Board of Directors met with leaders of the area town governments on Thursday, May 10 and had a very constructive exchange of information. The Chamber's long range planning committee is planning a follow up meeting and dinner sometime in June, date to be announced.

Leon Favreau, chairman of the Legislative Committee, reported on the Multiple Use meeting where issues involving federal purchases of the Northern Forest land (including the forests of the Bethel area) were discussed.

Rotary notes

The Bethel Rotary Club met May 8 at the Bethel Inn.

Visiting Rotarians and guests were Nancy Harron, Ski Mt. Abram; Ken Bois, Bethel; Kirk Siegel, Gould Academy; Bob Chadbourne, Bethel; Dexter Landers, Northfield, Vt.; and Jim Courcier, Oxford Hills.

Melinda Remington won the 50/50 raffle and donated the proceeds to the Spanish/American Youth Exchange.

John Head gave the Rotary information on Rotary's group study exchange, encouraging someone to apply to be team leader. See Head for details. The trip will be taken in Spring of 1990 to Vera Cruz, Mexico.

Jim Yarnell was program chairman of the morning and introduced his guest Elliott Gimble from the Atlantic Center for the Environment.

The Atlantic Center is going to be working with the Friends of the Androscoggin and the Mahoosuc Land Trust this summer and into the future to identify some of the needs and possibilities of the river and the area.

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THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN, BETHEL, MAINE



SAMANTHA AND SUE IN BOSTON—Bethel's Sue Farrar was recently in Boston to attend the joint performance of Tchaikovsky's Swan Lake, put on by the Boston Ballet Company and Moscow's Bolshoi Ballet. She also signed copies of her award-winning children's book "Samantha on Stage," which deals with the relationship between two young Russian and American dancers. "Samantha" proved so popular that it was sold out during the first day of the scheduled two-day signing. Inset, Sue signs a copy for a young admirer from the Boston Ballet. Jennifer Bowie of Newry and Betsey Stowell Doonan, formerly of Bethel, joined Sue in Boston.

Newry planners okay 936-car parking lot

The Newry Planning Board met on May 2 to discuss the site plan application for Sunday River Ski Resort for a 936-car parking lot, parking lot 8.

Billy Stowell of Land-Tech Engineering presented a traffic impact report. Stowell and associates performed traffic counts during the Christmas-New Year vacation week, the long Martin Luther King weekend and during spring break.

Stowell's findings include: peak inbound traffic at the Sunday River access road occurs between 8:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., with 90 vehicles per hour; outbound peak is between 4:50 p.m., with 983 vehicles per hour.

At mid-day the total vehicle count at the ski area on a peak weekend was 3,110. Of this total, 760 vehicles were parked at the condominiums and 2,350 were parked in the general parking lots.

The peak inbound traffic amounts to 29 percent of the total cars on the mountain, and the peak outbound traffic amounts to 32 percent of the total vehicles.

Comparing figures from a 1987 traffic count, a projection was made that, for every 100 cars parked on the mountain, the peak inbound hour at the Sunday River Road increases 19 vehicles per hour, or 19 percent.

Since Sunday River Ski Resort is a destination ski area a large proportion

of the total number of vehicles at the mountain will be arriving and departing outside of the peak hour.

Projections for the peak inbound vehicles per hour in 1994 is 1,095 and out-bound 1,195.

At the present time the planning board recommended no major changes to the existing street system. Manual traffic control at severely congested intersections will alleviate any problems.

However, if the projected peaks are attained and the Powder Ridge development begins to generate traffic, further improvements will be needed.

The application was approved. The next Planning Board meeting is May 16, at which time updating the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance will be discussed.

Stephen McLain completes basic training at Ft. Sill

Stephen McLain III, son of Lisa Dion Dupont McLain and Stephen J. McLain Jr. of Gilleaf, has completed his basic training at Ft. Sill, Okla.

McLain will be trained as a Tie Support Specialist where he will be stationed at Ft. Drum, N.Y. in the middle of June.

McLain's grandparents are Edna Dion Dupont of Gilleaf. Paternal grandparents are Mildred Heath McLain of Gilleaf and the late Stephen J. McLain Jr.

McLain is a 1989 graduate of Telstar Regional High School.

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A week in the life

of HILLARY HARRISON

Howdy partner, how's it going with you? Mighty fine here.

Guess what? Next week on May 16 my mom and Stine are going to fly to California for a week.

My mom is going to have surgery and asked my mom if she would be there and Stine is going too, because she wants to see stars of America before she leaves. Although we will not be able to celebrate her birthday with her, which is on May 18, we will celebrate it when she comes back. Oh well!

About a week after my mom and Stine return, Stine's parents will be flying to America for Stine's graduation. They don't have graduation in Denmark, so it will be pretty special.

Last week on May 6, we celebrated Heather's birthday. She turned 14. I got her a purse. My parents got her a book bag and a camera and some money now when she goes to Spain this summer. Stine got Heather a hip pack to make it easier to carry her stuff when she goes to Spain. Well it's been a busy week for me, how about you?

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Dr. Holden, a local veterinarian, visited the class to tell them about caring for pets. He brought in a cat and the children were able to listen to the cat's heartbeat through Dr. Holden's stethoscope.

All the children did make it into the Tiger Tail Club and are now working to earn a second tail. What good little kindergartners!

Both classes made Mother's Day presents of bath salts. They used soap, glycerin, food coloring and perfume. A Mother's Day poem was read with the gift and no doubt both were appreciated by all recipients.

News from the first grade: Students are finding their study of rocks very interesting and have brought in many samples which are being classified by characteristics.

On May 29 the class will be visiting Perham's Maine Mineral Store to

Agnes Gray School

By MARTA CLEMENTS

There is lots of news this week! Our play Cinderella was a grand success and receives rave reviews from all who attended.

The cast involved grades 4, 5 and 6 and several students played more than one part.

The cast of characters were: Cinderella, Audrey Thibault; Prince Charming, Joshua Dunham; Old Queen Ella, Heather Edwards; King not so charming, Arthur Campbell; Stepmother, Renee Pratt; wicked step-sisters, Anastasia and Drizella, Liberty Woodworth and Willow Andrews; Lucifer, the cat, Carina Hammond; Fairy Godmother, Shannon Farris; King, Jonathan Haas; Gus Gus, Tim Farrar; Mice, Amanda Blake, Emily Cole, Faith Lovejoy; Birds, Kim Kangas, Erin Doughty; Jeannine Dembski, Tovah Everett; Pages, Katie Buehl, Carrie Cole, Amy Coffin; Dirty Laundry, Katie Walton, Marc Cole, Tanya Rosenberg, Darcey Robertson; Coachmen, Katie Walton, Marc Cole, Tanya Rosenberg and Darcey Robertson.

Much work went into the presentation and Kris Graffam, Sandy Verkoulli and Eileen Mowat were presented with flowers for all their work on costumes and sets.

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Bethel's Jay Davis earns scholar, athlete awards

Bethel's Jay Davis was a good student and competent skier during his four years at Gould Academy, where his father has taught English literature for nearly 20 years.

But now approaching graduation from Dartmouth College, Davis is being recognized as more than just a decent scholar-athlete from the state of Maine.

As a team captain who will receive magna cum laude honors in English when he graduates this June, Davis last week received the Dartmouth Ski Team's most prestigious honor, the Gebhardt Award, for demonstrating "outstanding sportsmanship, loyalty to Dartmouth and the team, and hard work in both skiing and academics."

Davis—who will likely remain in the New Hampshire academic town next season to serve as assistant cross-country coach before pursuing a career in education—also earned the award for Most Improved Skier over his four years on the team.

A member of the Development Team as a freshman, Davis worked his way onto the varsity and then into the top five, scoring points for Dartmouth in the competitive Eastern Collegiate Carnival Series.

Davis is a Rufus Choate Scholar at Dartmouth, a designation the college makes for students in the top five percent



of their class in their senior year.

He is the son of Mac and Nancy Davis of Albany. His brother Kevin will enter Dartmouth as a freshman in September with an equally strong sports and academic record at Gould.

Suzanne Roy named to Kappa Gamma Pi

Suzanne Roy of Locke Mills was named to Kappa Gamma Pi, a Catholic Honor Society, at the spring Honors Convocation at Trinity College of Vermont in Burlington.

Recipients for this award are students who have demonstrated outstanding scholarship, service achievement, and leadership ability.

Students sought as pages for Democratic Convention

Oxford County young people have an opportunity to participate as pages and in other functions at the Maine Democratic State Convention in Presque Isle, June 1, 2, and 3, 1990.

High School and college students are eligible to serve as pages, staff assistants, and "shadows" for dignitaries, according to Jeff Mills of Bethel.

Several dozen convention positions remain open. These involve assisting members of the host committee, aiding the staffs of candidates for U.S. Senator, Governor, and Congress, staffing convention headquarters, participating in demonstrations for major office candidates and assisting the convention Sergeant-at-Arms.

The biennial Maine Democratic State Convention is being held at the Northern Maine Fair in Presque Isle.

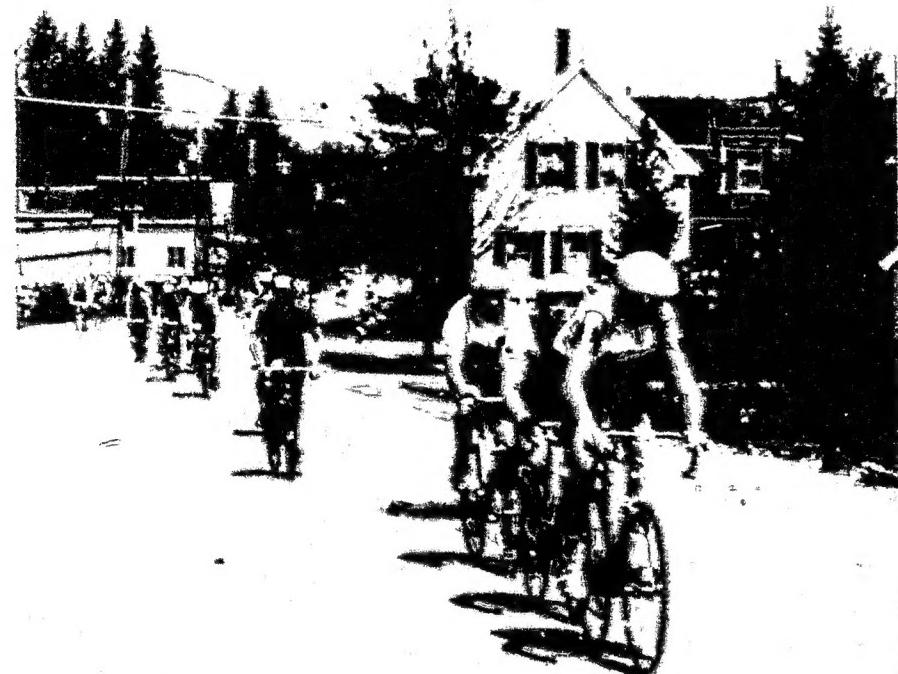
U.S. Senator George Mitchell (D-Maine) and First District Congressman Joseph Bremen (D-Portland) are expected to play prominent roles in the convention. Key party officials will address convention sessions and a party platform will be adopted.

Young people interested in serving as pages can get more information from Jeff Mills by writing to him at RFD Box 1647, Bethel 04217 or calling 824-3230.

They can also write or call the convention page coordinator, Democratic State Headquarters, 51 Sewall St., P.O. Box 5258, Augusta 04332-2558, telephone 622-6233.



GUEST STAR—Richard Dreyfuss, who plays the senior law partner in the television series "L.A. Law," joins in with Gould students Jessica Miller and Josh Bramble, and with Carol Fiske, head of Music and Drama at the academy. The veteran actor, a Gould alumnus and trustee, visited for three days last week, toured Gould's performing arts facilities and offered some sage stage advice to aspiring performers. (Photo by Kirk Siegel)



AND THEY'RE OFF—Cyclists from Gould Academy, Hebron Academy, Bridgton Academy, Maine Central Institute and Carrabassett Valley Academy raced the streets of Bethel last Saturday morning, competing in a .9 mile criterium sponsored by Gould Academy and the Maine Secondary School Cycling League. Individual men's winners were: Andy Haskell of Hebron, first; Matt Aeschliman of Gould, second; and John Tondra of CVA, third. Individual women's winners were: Nora Stowell of CVA, first; Rebecca Carey, also of CVA, second; and Rachel Bonney of MCI, third. The race results put the league standings at Carrabassett Valley, in first place, followed by Hebron in second place, Gould in third, MCI in fourth and Bridgton in fifth place. According to Gould racing coach John Wight the last league race of the season, a 25-mile road race, is Wednesday at Hebron Academy. (Photos by Christy Cross)



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LONG AFTER EARTH DAY IS OVER, local school children will have their own white pines to remind them that if we protect and nurture the environment, it will protect and nurture us. Here, Mrs. O'Meara's third graders at Crescent Park School show off their seedlings, which were donated by Ranger Rick McVey of the National Forest Service's Evans Notch Station.

Telstar students pioneer Bethel/Boston exchange

By JOLANA ROEFORD

Telstar Regional High School

Ten Telstar Regional High School students traveled to Boston on an exchange program earlier this month as the pioneers of the Bethel/Boston exchange.

The students are Jolana Roeford, Heidi Moore, Jessica Mercier, Stine Lubben-Siewertsen, Brandi Russo, Cathy McCarthy, Greg Corrin, Amy Laban, Nancy Carter, and Lynn Buckingham.

They were chaperoned by Tim Cavanaugh, Steve Wight, Melinda and Tom Remington, and Nancy Hartson. Dan Hart, Guidance Counselor at Telstar High School, initiated the exchange with Steve Wight, a community activist in the Bethel area who is also involved in the school's Peer Leadership Program.

Wight introduced Hart to Don Coverdale, a Guidance Counselor at East Boston High School who also works with the NTL program in Bethel.

This same introduction included Kathy Thomas, who works at the Freedom House of Boston, which is a pro-community organization. Thomas suggested an exchange with some of the

youth from the Freedom House, while at the same time, Coverdale suggested an exchange with East Boston High—so the Bethel/Boston Exchange was born.

First, students from a variety of Boston schools traveled to Maine for a weekend of fellowship and fun at Telstar. The exchange was completed two weekends ago when the Telstar students traveled to Boston.

It started with a visit to East Boston High where the students compared ideas about expectations of each other's characteristics.

For example, the Boston students expected the Telstar students to "be hicks," wearing flannel shirts and work boots."

Telstar students thought the Boston students would be "loud, black, sharp dressers, and streetwise."

Later they came to realize they were all very much alike.

Friday afternoon, the students met with the kids from the Freedom House and walked the historical Freedom Trail tour through Boston, seeing many of the historical sights Boston has to offer, including the USS Constitution.

The next day was packed with adventure. The group first toured the Fine Arts

Project Opportunity granted tax exempt status

Project Opportunity, a unique scholarship program aimed at raising the educational aspirations of SAD #4 students, has been granted tax exempt status by the Internal Revenue Service.

The new status is expected to allow the project's endowment to grow more rapidly.

The application process for the tax status change was coordinated by local attorney Gordon Sessions Brown, associate of Gordon M. Gillespie, who serves on the Project Opportunity board.

The application was expedited by U.S. Senator William Cohen. To obtain tax exempt status, it was necessary to show that the project would provide funds to

its beneficiaries that would otherwise have to come from public sources.

"It took time to put up," said Brown, "because Project Opportunity is such a novel program. We had to show that although much of the initial funding came from Sunday River Ski Resort, this was not a private foundation."

Senator Cohen's office assisted in the application process by contacting the Internal Revenue Service Office in Brooklyn, N.Y., and requesting that a priority be given to the application. Due to the large number of applications handled by the Internal Revenue Service, delays can occur.

Contacted in Washington, Senator

Cohen stated, "Project Opportunity will help to better prepare high school students for graduation, and increase their opportunities to continue their education. It is a model example of how businesses can work with our educational system to provide a brighter, more productive future for young people in Maine. I fully support Project Opportunity's goals and objectives, and commend Sunday River Ski Resort for its involvement in this valuable program."

Currently the endowment, which includes contributions from the Bethel Savings Bank, Casco Northern Bank, the Libra Foundation and numerous private donations, totals approximately \$76,400.



TOP WORKERS—Telstar upperclassmen, from left, Becky Hanscom, Becky Witter, Jennifer Felt, Tony Stevens, Kris Delano and Barbara Mosher were among those recently selected as having "Best Career Exploration Week Projects," in 1990. Their selection was based upon such factors as uniqueness of worksite, worksite supervisor's evaluation, and quality of work performed. Also selected were juniors Lynn Buckingham, Nancy Carter, Kelly Hayes, and Althea Stevens; and seniors Amy Brindley, Aaron Conant, and Jennifer Stowell.

Dustin Sysko participates in regional science fair

Dustin Sysko, an eighth grade student at Telstar Middle School participated recently in the Sandy-Andy Regional Science Fair at Mt. Blue Junior High.

Projects in four categories—life science, physical science, chemistry and earth science, were entered by students from 10 school districts.

Dustin's project was a home-made battery using various organic material to produce a current.

This competition was sponsored by the Middle School Principals Association.



KEEPING IT ALIVE—Jon Thurston's bases-loaded single drove in a run and kept alive a late inning rally for the Telstar JV baseball squad. Unfortunately, it was too little, too late, as the Rebels fell to Jay 9-2 in homefield action over the weekend.

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) Cheers	M*A*S*H						Hogan	M*A*S*H	Elsewhere		
(4) Rendezvous	Monitor	Secrets of Nature	Beyond 2000				Planet Earth	Wildlife	Predators		
(5) Movie: "Ace High"							TBA	700 Club	Scarecr.-King		
(6) Cosby	Night Court	Cosby	Dif. World	Cheers	Wings	L.A. Law	News	Tonight			
(8) Cur. Affair Boss?	Father Dowling			Twin Peaks	Primestime Live	News	Nightline				
(10) MacNeil/Lehrer	Mainewatch	Maine	Mystery!		Golden Years	Butterflies	Brush				
(11) Spenser: For Hire	Moonlighting		Movie: "Grand Larceny"			Spenser: For Hire					
(12) Music Row Video	Ricky Van Shelton	Nashville Now				Crook	Mus. Shop	On Stage			
(13) Main State Citizen Bee	48 Hours	Falcon Crest		Knots Landing	News	Wiseguy					
(14) Sports	Sports	Soccer: U.S. World Cup	Team vs. Ajax of Holland	Sports	Kickboxing		Rod-Reel				
(17D) Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live	CNN News	Moneyline	Sports					
(18E) "Hard Times" Cont'd		Movie: "Not of This Earth"		Movie: "Watchers"		See No Evil					
(20G) Cheerleading: Collegiate				Auto Racing: SCCA	CART Wk.	College Baseball					
(21H) SportsCtr.	LPBT Bowling: WIBC Queen					Baseball	SportsCr.				
(22I) Jeffersons	Major League Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves					Movie: "The Wings of Eagles"					
(23J) MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight	Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders			
(24K) Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke			
(25M) Miami Vice	Murder, She Wrote		Movie: "Body Heat"				Miami Vice				
(27N) Wilderness Survival	Crusade	Eagle-Bear	Paris Opera Ballet	Bull in Winter: Picasso	At the Improv						
(29P) Movie: "Lady Jane" Cont'd		Movie: "Stir Crazy"			Movie: "Bill Cosby - Himself"	Movie: "Laguna Heat"					
(31R) Flight-Nav. Sidekicks	Movie: "The Karate Kid, Part Two"			Movie: "Bill Cosby - Himself"							
(32S) Cosby	Kate & Allie	It Takes a Thief	Run for Your Life	News	50 Years	Comedy					
(34U) Abbott	Night Court	Hogan	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros		News						

FRIDAY EVENING MAY 18, 1990											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) Cheers	Major League Baseball: Minnesota Twins at Boston Red Sox						Sportbeat	Elsewhere			
(4) Rendezvous	Monitor	Bill Burrud's Animals	American Album	Women	Look East	Arabia					
(5) Scarecr.-King		Movie: "The Last of the Mohicans"		700 Club	Zorro	Bordertown					
(6) Cosby	Major League Baseball: Minnesota Twins at Boston Red Sox			Hardball	News	Tonight					
(8) Cur. Affair Boss?	Full House	Family	Strangers	Ten of Us	20/20	News	Nightline				
(10) MacNeil/Lehrer	Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Gospel Explosion	Fawley T.	You Must	How Green?					
(11) Spenser: For Hire	Movie: "The Abduction of Kari Swenson"		Molly Dodd	Esquire	Spenser: For Hire						
(12) Music Row Video	Texas	On Stage	Nashville Now	Crook	Hank Jr.	On Stage					
(13) Fortune Jeopardy!	Small Talk	Garfield	Movie: "Return to Green Acres"		News	Wiseguy					
(14) Sports	Stanley Cup Finals: Game One. Teams to Be Announced			Sports	Horse	Motor					
(17D) Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live	CNN News	Moneyline	Sports					
(18E) Cheaper by the Dozen	Movie: "Miss Firecracker"			Movie: "The Rachel Papers"		Island-1000					
(20G) Red Sox	Boxing			Golf: Classic	Bowling						
(21H) SportsCtr.	Major League Baseball: Teams to Be Announced				Major League Baseball: Teams TBA						
(22I) Jeffersons	Major League Baseball: Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves			NWA Wrestling							
(23J) MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight	Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders			
(24K) Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke			
(25M) Miami Vice	Murder, She Wrote	Hitchhiker Shadow	Hitchhiker	Hitchcock	Miami Vice						
(27N) Wilderness Survival	Revue	Movie: "Who'll Stop the Rain?"			Improv						
(29P) "Scrooged" Cont'd	Crypt Tales	One Night	Movie: "Iron Eagle II"		Movie: "The Beast"						
(31R) Movie: "The Man Called Flintstone"	Puff	Movie: "The Boy Who Could Fly"			Watcher-Woods						
(32S) Cosby	Kate & Allie	Movie: "Son of Flubber"		News	Cinema	Comedy					
(34U) Abbott	Night Court	Hogan	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros		News	Outlaw					

SATURDAY EVENING MAY 19, 1990											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3) St. Elsewhere	Movie: "Summer School"				Movie: "Carrie"						
(4) Natural	Natural	Challenge	Wings		War Stories	TDC-TV					
(5) Rin Tin Tin T and T	Movie: "The Dirty Dozen: The Series"			Hardcastle	Scarecr.-King						
(6) Cheers	Night Court	13 East	Amer.	Golden G.	Bob Hope	News	Sat. Night				
(8) Star Search	Elvis	Head Criss.	Movie: "The Ryan White Story"			Byron Allen					
(10) Maine	Know Me.	WonderWorks	Doctor Who		Exit 13	Movie: "Desk Set"					
(11) Movie: "Doing Life"			Moonlighting	Hotel		Spenser: For Hire					
(12) With Dinah	Ctry Music	Church St.	Ole Opry	B. Mandrell	Mus. Shop	Texas	On Stage	Ole Opry			
(13) Fortune	Win, Lose	Paradise	Teddy Z	City	Connie Chung	News	Gladiators				
(14) Sports	Jumping	WBL Basketball	Italy at Youngstown	Sports	Pennant	Horse	Baseball				
(17D) Capital	SportsCtr.	Primewalk	Showbiz	East-West	CNN News	Capital	Sports				
(18E) "Silverado" Cont'd	Movie: "Working Girl"			Movie: "Tequila Sunrise"							
(20G) College Baseball	College Baseball: Big Eight Tournament Championship				College Baseball						
(21H) SportsCtr.	SpeedWk.	Drag Racing	Saturday Night Thunder	Baseball	SportsCtr.						
(22I) Major League Baseball	Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves			U.S. Olympic Gold	Night Tracks						
(23J) Score Card Cont'd	Score Card				Final Score						
(24K) In. Gadget	Looney Tunes	My 3 Sons	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	On the TV	Bewitched	Patty Duke			
(25M) Miami Vice	Movie: "Forever Evil"			Hitchhiker	Hitchcock	"Reform School Girls"					
(27N) Wilderness Seas	Footsteps of Man	Movie: "A Piece of the Action"									
(29P) "Stealing Home" Cont'd	Movie: "By Dawn's Early Light"			Boxing: Azumah Nelson vs. Pernell Whitaker							
(31R) "Mother Goose Rock 'N' Rhyme"	Rupert	Movie: "Big"			Gentlemen-Blind						
(32S) Boss?	Kate & Allie	Police Story	News	Jack Benny	Major League Baseball: Mets at Padres						
(34U) Abbott	Fortune	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros			News	Outlaw					

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Community Calendar

Thursday, May 17: Gould Academy's "In the News" presents Duane Fitzgerald, president of Bath Iron Works, "The Economics of Peace" Gehring Dining Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 18: Old Grey Goose, folksongs and country dance music, presented by Mahousic Arts Council, Bingham Gymnasium, Gould Academy, 7 p.m.

Food Sale: by Newry Church Ladies' Circle, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 19: Oxford County Retired Teachers, Legion Hall, Oxford. Social hour, 10:30 a.m.; meeting, 11 a.m.

Babysitting Course, Bethel Area Health Center, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Clean-Up Day, East Bethel Cemetery. Baked Bean and Casserole Supper, Bethel Methodist Church, 5 & 6 p.m.

Monday, May 21: Retirement Planning presented by Horizons/55, Multipurpose Center, Birch Street, Lewiston, 1-3 p.m. For registration, 1-800-564-4555.

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AA Meetings at Bethel Fire Station: Sunday, 6-7:30 p.m., Big Book; Tuesday, 7-8:30 p.m., Women's Discussion; Friday, 7:30-9 p.m., Step 12 x 12.

First Wednesday of Each Month: Purple Chapter #102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Sons of American Legion: 7:30 p.m., Jackson-Silver Post #68, American Legion, Locke Mills.

Every Thursday: Game Party at Mundy-Allen Post #61, Vernon Street, Bethel, 6:30 p.m.

First Thursday of Each Month: Board of Selectmen meets, 6 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House: 7:30 p.m.

Second Thursday of Each Month: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at the Casco Bank, 7:30 a.m.

SHARE support group for bereaved parents suffering loss of an infant or miscarriage: at Stephens Memorial Hospital, 7:30 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & A.M.

Third Thursday of Each Month: Fish & Game, at the Bethel United Methodist Church, potluck supper 6 p.m.; meeting at 7 p.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club: at Newry municipal building, 7:30 p.m., meeting.

Ever Friday: Friday Gift Shop, at the Bethel United Methodist Church, during summer, 1-5 p.m.

Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post #68, Gore Road, Locke Mills: 6:30 p.m. Third Friday of Each Month: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Second Saturday of Each Month: Woodstock Historical Society, 7 p.m., Woodstock Historical Society Museum.

First Monday of Each Month: Newry Community Church Ladies' Circle, 7:30 p.m.

Pickin' party resounds in Gould's Bingham Hall

Another pickin' party took place at Gould on Sunday, May 6 in the afternoon. The talented Howe clan showed up. Father John with sons Edward and Thomas, and Debbie, the mother, lent a supportive ear to all performers.

Others present were Beth Rivals from Raymond and Kathy Slack from Albany township. Carol Fliske dropped in to say hello at the end.

Music selections ranged from country and folk to bluegrass and popular rock. Some of the most exciting moments were when the voices blended together in perfect harmony.

All are looking forward to the final pickin' event which will be on May 20, from 2-5 p.m. in Bingham Hall.

Gould students are welcome as well as any other interested local musicians.

Shaker Museum opens May 28

The Sabbathday Lake Shaker Museum opens for the 1990 season on Memorial Day, May 28.

The Museum will be open Mondays through Saturdays, 10:45, through Columbus Day.

Guided tours are available at a nominal fee. The Museum Reception Center and Shaker Store are open free of charge.

Included in the tours are two new exhibits. One is entitled "The Land of Shows: Winter at Sabbathday Lake" and will open in July. The other new exhibit

will feature Shaker baskets and will open on Memorial Day.

Summer concerts and workshops are also part of the Museum's activities. Telephone 926-4597 for the 1990 calendar of events and a list of workshops.

The Shaker Museum is part of the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village located on Route 102, New Gloucester, 25 miles north of Portland, eight miles north of Gray (Exit 11-Maine Turnpike) and eight miles south of Auburn (Exit 12-Maine Turnpike).



CLOWNING AROUND—Stiddy the Clown, aka Ted Lawrence, chemistry teacher at Gould Academy, goes for a shoulder ride atop Gould Headmaster Bill Clough at the school's morning assembly last Thursday. Stiddy's perch is precarious at best. Stiddy was a clown with Ringling Brothers Circus before coming to Gould and landing astride the headmaster's neck.

Public suppers will begin on Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m. and continue every other Thursday, on July 12 and 26, and August 9 and 23.

Proceeds of the June 28 supper are to benefit the Diocesan fund, to be used to assist local families struck by illness, fire, etc.

Officers and members of the church wish to thank all who have contributed so generously to the work of the church. Plans are being made to present a scholarship this spring to a graduate of Telstar High School who is an Albany resident and who plans on continuing their education.

In other business, members voted to make a contribution to the Bethel DARE program.

Since the church has acquired the Grange Hall, which is in need of repairs in order to preserve it, it was voted to begin renovation on the building.

West Paris Coffeehouse set for May 18 at 8 p.m.

The monthly coffeehouse sponsored by the First Universalist Church of West Paris is set for Friday, May 18 at 8 p.m.

The coffeehouse features the contemporary folk music of "house musician" Don Rollins, as well as an open stage segment for area poets, musicians and other performing artists.

Half of the \$1 door charge goes to support the Oxford Hills Food Pantry in Norway. Refreshments are also available at the coffeehouse. The West Paris coffeehouse is a chemical-free environment.

Local family sought for French student

A 17-year old young man from France has his suitcase packed and is ready to come to the local area but has no place to stay.

Américo Malherbe also has his love of graphic arts, skiing, and animals which he hopes to bring with him here—if he is invited.

Sandi Grondin of Livermore Falls is the local area representative for ASSE International Student Exchange. She has a full file on Américo including photos and letters. Grondin hopes she does not have to tell the young man she has no home for him.

If a local family might be interested in hosting this young man they should contact Grondin at RFD 2 Box 1945, Livermore Falls 04254, call 897-5501, or call toll-free 800-333-3802.

Albany church services to begin on May 20

The Diaconate committee of the Albany Congregational Church met on April 16, at the home of Kathy Bennett.

The semi-annual meeting of the church was held on May 3. Plans were made for the summer season.

An invitation was extended to and accepted by Rev. Norman Rust to continue as pastor.

A memorial worship service conducted by Rev. Rust will be held Sunday, May 20, at 7 p.m. with organist Edna York and special music provided by Peter and Pat Parent.

Anyone wishing to have floral arrangements in memory of loved ones are invited to do so. If anyone wishes to have a baptismal service performed please contact Rev. Rust at 383-4888.

Regular worship services will begin on Sunday, June 3 at 10 a.m. (please note new time and note there will be no service on May 27). Services will continue through Sept. 30.

Public suppers will begin on Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m. and continue every other Thursday, on July 12 and 26, and August 9 and 23.

Proceeds of the June 28 supper are to benefit the Diaconate fund, to be used to assist local families struck by illness, fire, etc.

Officers and members of the church wish to thank all who have contributed so generously to the work of the church. Plans are being made to present a scholarship this spring to a graduate of Telstar High School who is an Albany resident and who plans on continuing their education.

In other business, members voted to make a contribution to the Bethel DARE program.

Since the church has acquired the Grange Hall, which is in need of repairs in order to preserve it, it was voted to begin renovation on the building.

West Paris Coffeehouse set for May 18 at 8 p.m.

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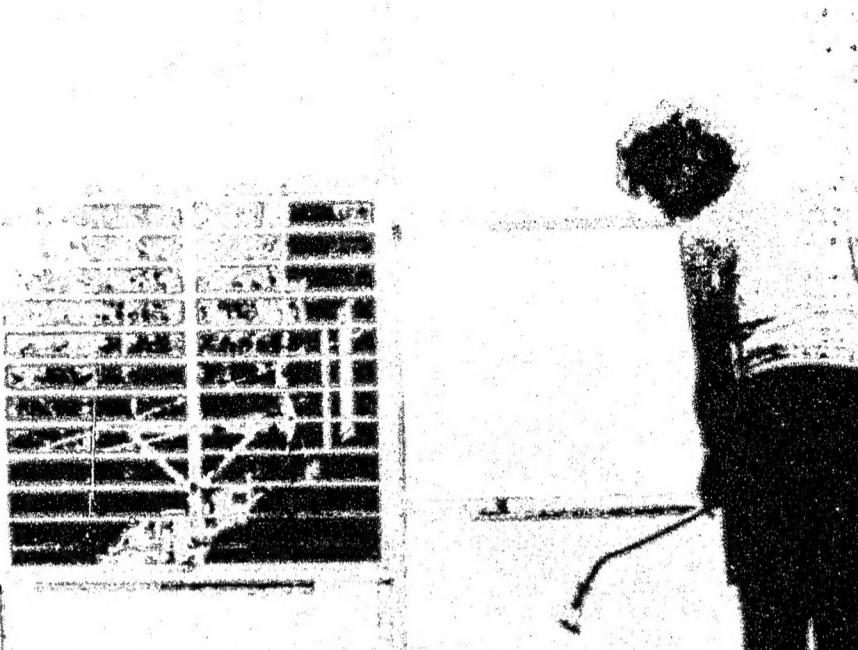


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(By Christy Cross)



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A HOTHOUSE SHOWER—hose wielded by Judy Sawyer at Mountain Greenery Greenhouse soaks these potted plants awaiting transplanting into area gardens.

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A BED OF GERANIUMS—surrounds Carol Duplessis, owner of Pooh Corner Farm on the Bog Road in West Bethel.



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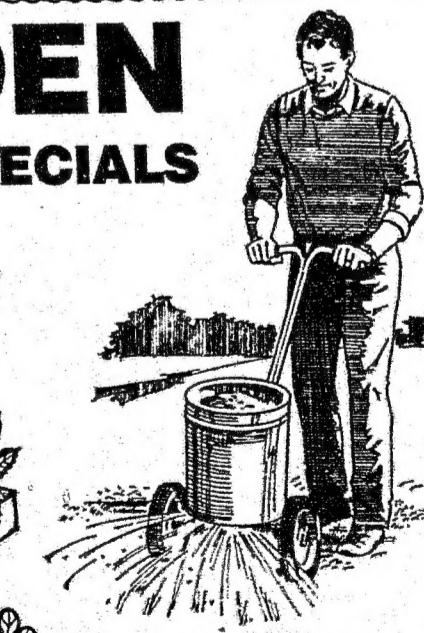
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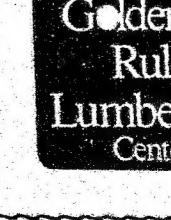
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High Street West Paris

By VIVA WHITMAN

They say cloudy this morning with clearing so hope they are right as I have a wash I need to do. What weather we have been having lately! How did you all like the showers and everything else we got on Monday night? We didn't think it so great at the Grange Hall but not a thing anyone can do but make the best of it.

It has been busy around here with each doing their own thing. Russell works outside when he can and has gotten his cold frame full of things to grow for the garden.

Peggy took me to the doctor's on Wednesday of last week, went to town in the afternoon and took supper with Bertha Senot in the evening so she had a busy day. I think that was the day that Russell picked dandelion greens and we put up five packages for the freezer as well as having some to eat on the table. Boys were they good. I like dandelion greens very much.

Thursday was senior citizen day at the Grange Hall in Bryant Pond and Russell and I went up to help what we could. I had made a casserole as had Peggy and took them for the dinner. Plenty for everyone and many said what a good dinner it was. Homemade pies for dessert always makes for a good ending to a meal and that was what they got.

Peggy had lunch or dinner with some of her classmates before leaving for her vacation. She met Pauline Kennedy, Mary Smith and Margery Fuller at a restaurant in South Paris where they had lunch and a good get-together. The evening, Peggy came down to the house and we played cards most of the evening.

Friday morning was a busy one for Peggy as she was getting ready to go down to her daughter's in Auburn for the day and night. I was helping for her the next day. She was to meet Myrna and Bernard while at 10:00 so she was busy. Had several phone calls I guess because when I tried to get her I got a busy signal. Bertha Benoit came down to see her for a bit before she left. Charlotte Cole called her and I don't know who else.

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Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Franklin Grange held an open house for the Woodstock primary grades on Monday, May 7. There were 150 or more of the parents, children and friends present. We were delighted to welcome such a large turnout in our hall.

The program was opened by all singing "School Days" followed by the first grade who were in costume and put on the play "When Is Spring?" They had been coached well by their teacher, Mrs. Shimamura and assistant Dorene Benson, and all spoke loudly.

Dot Canwell, our pianist, whistled a couple of tunes accompanying herself on the piano.

Carl Brooks danced his dolls for the children. David Murphy, the principal conducted two plays with the older group of children who had been working as an extra study after school. Namely: Pied Piper and King Midas.

Mr. Murphy spoke a few words of thanks.

As the hour was late for the children, we cancelled four other numbers. Refreshments were served of ice cream and other goodies.

Mr. Murphy will be changing to Crescent Park School at Bethel next year. We hate to have him leave our school. He has done a remarkable job for the school with many activities to interest the children. We wish him luck in his new school.

Kathleen Bean and Mary Billings are helping the Historical Society with fund raising. Larry Billings has donated some advertising items to the museum recently, also Basil Sequin has donated some items.

Franklin Grange will meet on Monday, May 21 for a supper and three point meeting.

The Firemen's Auxiliary met on Wednesday at the new fire hall. Because of sickness, not much business was conducted. An invitation has been received to the Greenwood Auxiliary meeting on May 22.

Helen Ring visited a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway. Others calling at the Hathaway's have

been: Friday evening, Joyce and Ellsworth Hathaway; Saturday, Phyllis and Reynold Jordan; Sunday, Reed and Sylvia Grover, Vance Jordan, Harriet and Lawrence Estes; and Tuesday, Debbie Millett.

Newry

By GIL SEELEY

Joy Hanscom was guest of honor at a party celebrating his sixth birthday on May 5 at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hanscom. Jay's birthday was May 4. He received many gifts. A delicious birthday cake made by Brian Hanscom and ice cream was enjoyed by all those present.

Present besides the honored guest were: Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hanscom, Adam, Eric and Kelsie, of Newry; Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom, Sr. and Nancy, Mr. and Rodney Hanscom, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cummings and Butch; Mr. and Mrs. David Hansson, and Becky and Davey of West Newry.

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Religious Services

ALBANY
 Congregational Church
 Hunt's Corner Road
 Rev. Norman F. Russ, Minister
 Phone: 363-4411
 Sunday: Worship Service, 9 a.m.; June-Sept.
 Church Suppers: 2nd & 4th Thurs., July &
 August.

ANDOVER
 First Congregational Church
 United Church of Christ
 Rev. E. Maurice Cullum
 Phone: 363-4661; Parsonsage 302-3001
 Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service and Sunday School; 6 p.m. Youth Group.
 Wednesday: Bible Study at C.E.B.
 Thursday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study at C.E.B.

CALVARY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 South Andover
 Rev. Donald Grover Sr.
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30-10:30 a.m.;
 Sunday Worship, 10:45-12; Evening Service, 7 p.m.
 Wednesday: Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

BETHEL
 Bethel United Methodist Church
 Main Street
 Rev. Lisa Vonderheide
 Tel. 224-2010
 Sunday: 9 a.m. Church School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Preschool provided.

WEST PARISH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 United Church of Christ
 Church Street
 Rev. Brenden Bass and Rev. Jean Bass
 Sunday: Worship Service and Church School, 10:30 a.m. Nursery care provided. Clothing Depot: Call 824-2653 or 824-2193 for assistance.

Bethel Chapel Center
 of Christian & Missionary Alliance
 Rte. 26A
 Nathan B. Seckinger, Pastor
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Boyarolds' church school, 10 a.m.; children under 5 years during Church, Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday: Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene
 Church Street
 John Clayton, Pastor
 Tel. 224-2029
 Sunday: Sunday School for all ages including adults; 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday: Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.

Our Lady of the Snows
 Catholic Church
 Rue 2
 Rev. Alvin B. Colpits
 Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Anticipated Mass

Pleasant Valley Bible Church
 Flat Road, West Bethel
 Ron Prochnik, Pastor
 Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m. Ages 2 to adult.
 Morning Worship, 10 a.m. Nursery for children through 2nd Church's church and junior church ages.
 Wednesday: Prayer and Bible study, 6:30 p.m.

West Bethel United Church
 Route 2
 Phone: 363-2925
 Sunday: Morning Worship and Church School, 9:15 a.m. Nursery provided for pre-school children. 2nd Wednesday: Ladies' Chapel Ad, 7:30 p.m.

BERLIN, N.H.
 First Church of Christ, Scientist
 Corner of Main & Tenth Streets
 Sunday: Morning Services and Sunday School, 11 a.m. and public services for 20 years.
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Orthodox Church of the Holy Resurrection
 20 Petrograd Street
 Fr. Joseph Leontine, Pastor
 Tel. 363-2254
 Saturday: Great Vespers, 7 p.m.
 Sunday: Divine Liturgy, 9 a.m.
 2nd Saturday of the month: Church School, 3 p.m.

BRYANT POND
 Baptist Church
 Route 26
 Linwood Hansen, Pastor
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THOUGHTS FROM THE Pastor's Study

The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, brings you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words, comfort and help for your daily life.

Everyone reading this article is a grandchild. Everywhere in the world is a grandchild. Everyone in the Bible, except Adam and Eve and their children, Cain and Abel, was a grandchild.

This is something we all have in common. We are all grandchildren. Never mind that many of us are gray or white haired. We have our memories of our grandparents, if we were lucky enough to know them.

Take a few minutes to think of your special memories of a grandparent.

What was it like to visit? Did a grandfather surprise you with a laugh? Or a grandmother comfort you with a hug?

Did you feel accepted and loved by your grandparent(s)?

Grandparents and grandmothers are usually free to love you with no strings attached. They don't ask for anything in return, except your love.

The relationship between grandparents and grandchildren can reveal to us something about our relationship to God.

God accepts us and loves us and only asks for our love in return. Unearned love is hard for us to accept, but isn't all love unearned? Can we only be grateful.

Gratitude is a wonderful emotion. Gratitude displaces guilt, emptiness, and/or despair.

So let us be grateful, all of us grandchildren, for we are the children of God, loved and accepted.

The Rev. Gwyneth Bohr, Minister

Monthly Episcopal House Church

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday

Trinity Lutheran Church

Rte. 117, South Paris

Rev. John Matke, Pastor

Sunday: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:15 a.m.

RUMFORD

Praise Assembly of God

East Andover Rd., Rumford Center

Rev. Robert Rainville

361-3885

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Worship Service; 6:30 p.m., Evening Service.

Wednesday: 7 p.m., Fellowship.

Christians Science Society, Norway

9 State St., off Alpine St.

Sunday Services and Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m. includes testimonies of healing.

Reading Room, Day 1 to 4 p.m., Saturday

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Rumford High Outreach

325 York St., Rumford

Patricia Colby

362-0372

Sunday: 10 a.m., Worship School (Sunday School bus); 10 a.m., Worship Service.

Wednesday: 7 p.m., Rumford Christian Academy.

Rumford Point Congregational UCC

Rev. Genavieve Heywood

Sunday: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

WEST PARIS

West Paris Baptist Church

Rev. Jonathan Haslett, Pastor

Tel. 674-2299

Sunday: Worship Service, 9 a.m.; nursery care for preschoolers; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 5 p.m.; joint service at the North Paris Federated Church.

Tuesday: 7 p.m., Bible Study.

West Paris First Universalist Church

Rev. Don Robinson, Minister Intern

Tel. 674-2191

Sunday: Worship Service, 10 a.m.

North Paris Federated Church

Rev. Jonathan Haslett, Pastor

Sunday: Family Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Praise Service, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Tuesday: 7 p.m., Joint Service at the home of Ruth and Harry Perkins; John Callais, teacher.

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Births

JAMES RUSSELL BELLMAN

Dale and Laurie Bellman of West Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of James Russell Bellman, born on April 25 at 8:29 p.m. at Androscoggin Valley Hospital, Berlin, N.H.

Maternal grandmother is Dolores Arnold of Houlton, N.H.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Bellman of Rittman, Ohio.

KENNETH AND BROOKE GROVER

Ken and Tracy Grover of East Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of twin babies Brooke and Kenneth, born on April 18 at 8:53 a.m. and 9:11 a.m. at Stephen Memorial Hospital, Kenneth weighing 3 lbs, 2 oz and Brooke weighing 2 lbs, 10 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Vernon and Thomasina Poland of South Woodstock.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Nina Grover of Sumner, Jean Grover of East Bethel.

The twins join Rachel 16, Samantha 11 and Alexis 3.

CAROLINE JEFFERS GAMBLE

Julia P. Gamble and Jane Y. Gamble of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Caroline Jeffers Gamble, born on May 1 at 9:01 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs, 1 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Charles L. and Nancy D. Yerstad of Wayzata, Minn.

Paternal grandparents are Julius P. and Eunice F. Gamble of Lane, S.C. Caroline joins a sister, Sarah Fox, age 2.

OLIVIA MARGARET MILLS

Jeffery and Tammy Mills of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Olivia Margaret Mills, born on May 1 at 12:16 p.m. at Stephen Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 lbs, 8 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Margaret and Robert Record of Harrisville, Mich.

Paternal grandparents are Sterling and Irene Mills of Bryant Pond.

Bethel Fire Department taking calendar orders

Again this year members of the Fire Department are sponsoring the Community Birthday Calendar. Members of the Department will be going to houses taking orders for the next issue of our calendar.

If you have not been contacted by a member of the Fire Department and would like to be on the calendar or purchase a calendar, please call 824-2827 and leave your name and phone number and a member will contact you.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to take this opportunity to express both my own and my family's sincere appreciation to the staff of Stephens Memorial Hospital, the surgeons, physicians, nurses, I.C.U. technicians and therapists for the dedicated and professional attention each of you gave to Francis W. Mills. We know in our hearts each of you gave your best, but God had other plans for Francis.

We also want to thank all the friends, neighbors, Masonic Lodge, O.E.S., American Legion, Fire Department, who each gave so generously, and for all the kindnesses shown to us in our hours of sorrow.

In all humility and sincerity,
Jen Mills & family

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NEW BABY—State Rep. Jeff Mills of Bethel poses proudly in the nursery at Stephen Memorial Hospital with his hours-old baby daughter, Olivia Margaret. Mills' wife Tammy gave birth to the 8-pound, 8 ounce baby on May 1.

Italian diary

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pies grew everywhere.

Our guide, Claire, kept us informed of anything new along the way. A native of Rome, she was very enthusiastic and knowledgeable. Our group asked many questions which she enjoyed answering.

She was impressed by the active curiosities and enthusiasm of the members of our group.

There was no question about the tirelessness and willingness to attempt anything, eat everything and accept changes without complaint. Flexibility

and compatibility were the characteristics that made everything work.

The Mortons are organizing an 11-day trip to Eastern Europe in late July, visiting Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and East and West Berlin, Germany.

The group will be small and so far has only adults enrolled. Undergraduate, graduate, and recertification credits can be earned, or interested persons can go just for the thrill of visiting this changing part of the world. Ann Morton can be reached at 369-9996 evenings for more information.

A Most Grateful Thank You

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We extend our sincere gratitude to all relatives, friends and neighbors for the many cards, flowers, donations of food and money, and visits during our recent bereavement. We further wish to thank the Rev. Lisa Vonderheide, Mr. Nicholas Clements and staff of Greenleaf Funeral Home for their kindness and words of comfort.

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The Bethel area was settled by Colonial-era farmers. It was developed by 19th century lumber and railroad interests. In the 20th century, it has attracted a cosmopolitan mix of city folk who have decided there's more to life than smog and congestion. Some have come to settle, others just to visit.

The great outdoors

Gaining popularity first as a summer resort in the early decades of this century, nowadays the area is as popular for winter recreation as for summer.

The three local ski areas: Mt. Abram Ski Slopes, in Locke Mills, Sunday River Ski Resort, in Newry, and Shawnee Peak at nearby Bridgton offer as good and varied skiing as will be found anywhere in New England.

In addition to downhill skiing, there are a number of well-equipped ski touring centers in the area to aid and equip cross-country skiers.

When the snow melts and the ponds unfreeze, the Bethel area comes alive with greenery and birdsongs.

Fishing, sailing, canoeing and hiking replace skiing. And farmers begin working long days on their crops.

The heart of this fascinating region is the town of Bethel, which sits astride the Androscoggin River, 75 miles from Portland and 180 miles from Boston.

The area also includes the towns of Andover, Upton, Hanover, Gilead, Newry, Greenwood, Woodstock and West Paris, plus nearby Waterford, Lovell, Fryeburg, Bridgton, Norway, South Paris, Oxford, Rumford, and Shelburne and Gorham, 30 minutes away, across the border in New Hampshire.

The economy is a diverse mixture of educational institutions, wood-based industries, tourism and recreation, arts and crafts, agriculture and small-farm enterprises, as well as a significant community

of retirement and vacation homes.

Here, in just a few small communities, you will find such diverse businesses as a recording studio, an elderhostel, wilderness schools, motivational seminars, prep schools, a number of potteries, a number of dairies, nearly a dozen woodworking mills, skiways and historic inns.

It was part of Massachusetts

The town of Bethel, which now

numbers about 2,500 people, was founded in 1774 as Sudbury

Canada.

It was not a part of Canada. Rather, the name came about because the land was given to settlers from Sudbury, Mass., who had fought in the campaign to conquer Canada in 1690, during the French and Indian Wars.

Settlement of the town went slowly during the Colonial and Revolutionary War eras, and as late as 1781 there was an Indian raid (one of the last in New England) that resulted in three of the townspeople being taken captive.

The town was incorporated in 1796 and given the name Bethel—taken from the Book of Genesis and meaning "House of God."

Farming was the principal occu-

pation of the earliest inhabitants.

But with the arrival of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railway in 1851, connecting Bethel to Portland and later Montreal, the wood products industry became a major factor in the local economy.

In addition, the arrival of the railroad made it possible for summer visitors from Boston and New York to travel easily (and in some luxury) to Bethel to enjoy the town's extraordinary natural setting in the foothills of the White Mountains.

Education is the key. Bethel's reputation as a seat of high-quality education dates from 1836, when Gould Academy was established.

The academy served both local and boarding students, with top-notch education, until 1968, when a regional high school—Telstar—was established for local students.

Gould continues to provide an excellent college-prep education for students from all over the U.S. and abroad.

Meanwhile, Telstar has developed into a significant educational institution, serving students from

visitors the opportunity of renting, or owning, a condominium.

Some are located right at the ski areas and some are located in town. All are well-constructed and painstakingly furnished for those who want the amenities of home while away on vacation.

As for dining, the Bethel area has a number of gourmet restaurants whose cuisine rivals anything to be found in big city restaurants, but without the big city prices.

And, of course, there are also many number of inns and restaurants serving good, hearty New England fare. Plus, enough pizza places for you to sample a different one each night for a month.

More than just a pretty face

The Bethel area is not just a summer resort or just a winter resort. Spring and fall offer their own distinct views of the mountains and the streams and rivers.

What most visitors find particularly pleasing is that the area is not dedicated to tourism.

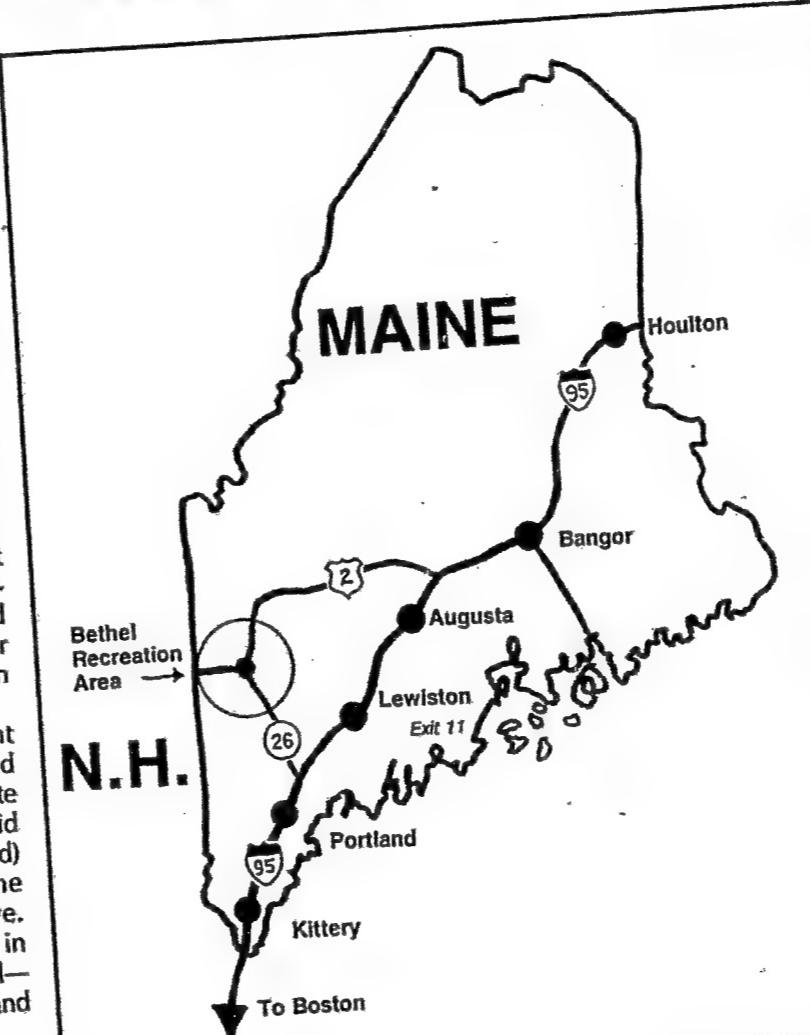
It has a real, solid economy, with tourism as just one segment of it. This means visitors don't face the traffic snarls and the hurry of other, better-known tourist areas.

The Bethel area is, and feels, real—not like Disneyland east. And the people are friendly and interesting.

We hope the following articles will give you some indication of the activities available in the Bethel area, as well as a hint of the uniqueness of the population.

We think you'll enjoy a visit to the area. The advertisers in this publication will do their best to make your visit even more enjoyable.

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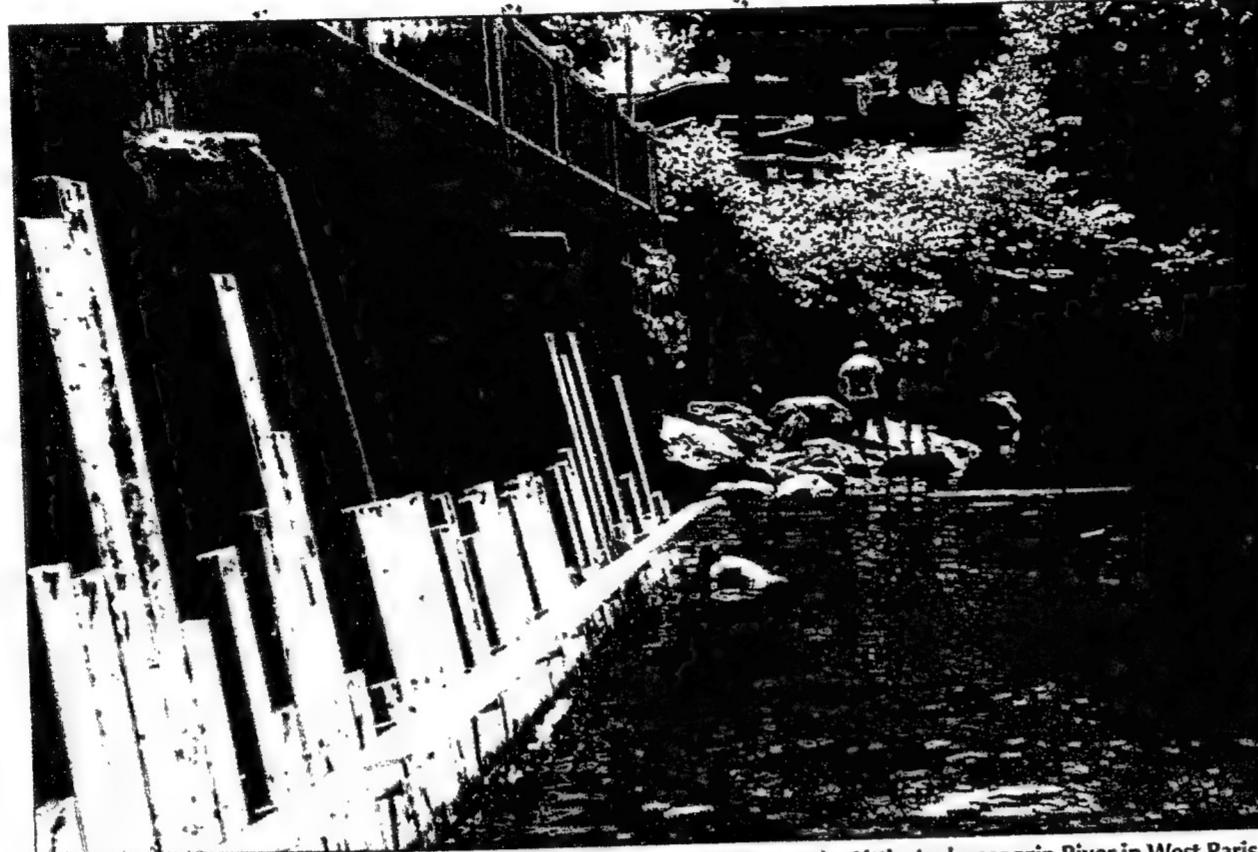
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LOCAL YOUNGSTERS fish from the far shore at the old grist mill dam on the Little Androscoggin River in West Paris.

Welcome to the Bethel area

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MESSTIME ON THE GOOD SHIP DAD—Ethan Elliott and his dad, Bob, share a freeze-pop before setting out along the shore of Lake Christopher in search of shadbush berries. They were successful and shared the tasty berries with all their friends.

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Fairway tee times without the lines

In and around the Bethel region there are nearly a dozen golf courses open to the public. A variety of terrain and challenges await the seasoned golfer and beginners.

It may be an understatement to say that golf is enjoying a tremendous boom. More than any other sport in America, golf has shown a remarkably steady growth over the past ten years.

In 1978, 14 million people played the game; today there are over 25 million golfers.

There are reports that players living in Boston show up at 3 and 4 a.m. for tee times.

Enthusiasm for the game itself has grown phenomenally; the Baby Boomers that played tennis in the 70s and 80s are now turning to golf...and golf's a game for a lifetime.

The sport considers all level of ability and offers recreation to a generation which has it's eye on the environment.

Talk around Maine clubhouses has focused on the growing popularity of the game and the need for new and expanded courses.

The problem is there aren't enough public courses to accommodate the new players. From 1978 through 1988 only 9,000 new public courses opened up nationwide, an increase from 12,700 to 13,600.

Fortunately, Maine continues an active role developing new golf layouts.

Along the coast and in the Western Mountains and Lakes Region, new courses have sprouted up offering relaxed and

uncrowded play.

In fact, Maine golfers have it far better than many others.

There are reports that players living in Boston show up at 3 and 4 a.m. for tee times. One story has it that in Farmingdale, N.Y., golfers form lines at midnight on weekends so they can be first on the Bethpage Course.

In western Maine, even on a sunny Saturday, one can get a tee time at The Bethel Inn or Norway Country Club and expect no more than a short wait.

The Bethel Inn & Country Club is among the finest golf resorts in New England. Located in Bethel village, The Inn has offered golf to its guests since 1916.

A sporty nine-hole course for decades, The Bethel Inn & Country Club is now an 18-hole, 6,663 yard championship layout.

Renowned golf course architect, Geoffrey Cornish designed 11 new holes and blended them with seven of the original, creating one gem of a golf course.

(Historically, an interesting footnote on the original golf holes is that patients of the Inn founder, Dr. John G. Gehring, cleared the land for the first fairways).

Comish has done remarkable work taking maximum advantage of the rolling terrain, the

beautiful White Mountain vistas and the 150-year old Mill Brook dam.

Golfers who played the new layout during last summer's inaugural season have judged the Bethel links as one true test of golf.

In fact, last year's men's winner of the State of Maine Championship, hosted by the Inn, posted a one over par 73 for the victory.

It is that combination of

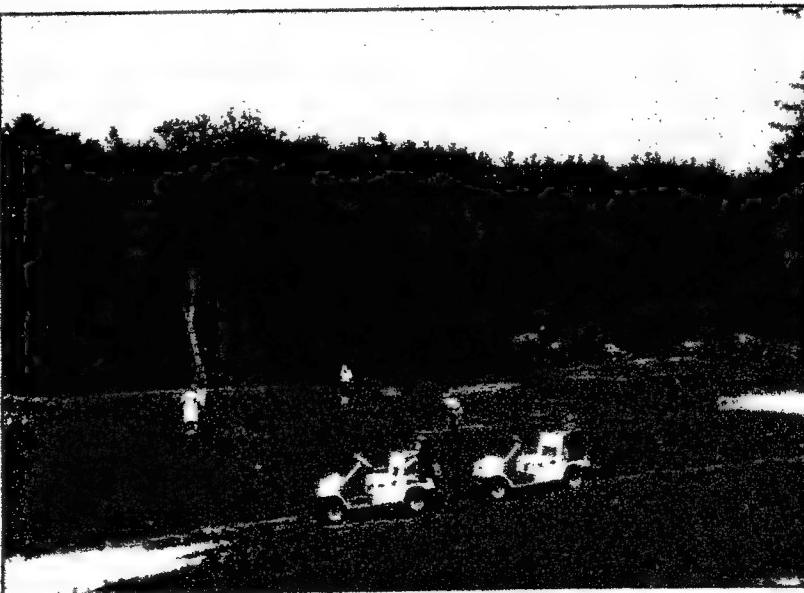


THE FAIRWAYS and greens at the golf course at the Bethel Inn and Country Club are backdropped by lush green trees and spectacular mountain views.

natural beauty and challenge that makes the game so attractive. A golfer has 14 clubs in his bag, all of them different; 18 holes to play, all of them different; and all around him are sand, trees, grass, water and wind.

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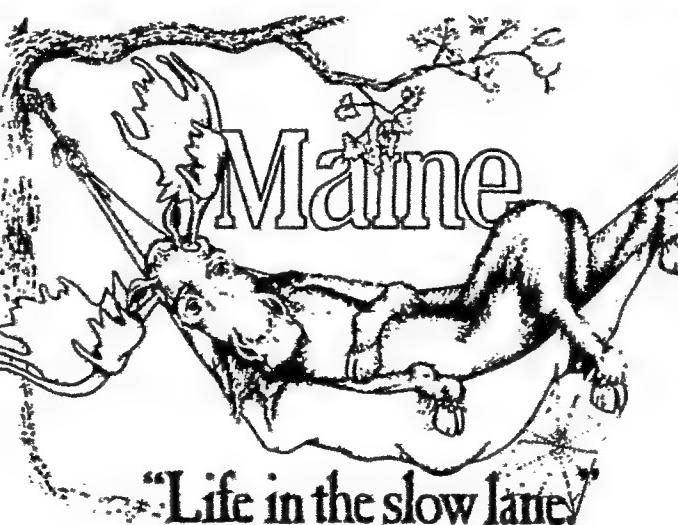
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The better golf courses offer multiple tee positions to further create a more equitable challenge.

The Bethel Inn, for instance, offers four tee positions, considering golfers of all ability levels.

It's no secret that golf can be difficult at times but the rewards are well worth the effort. Once

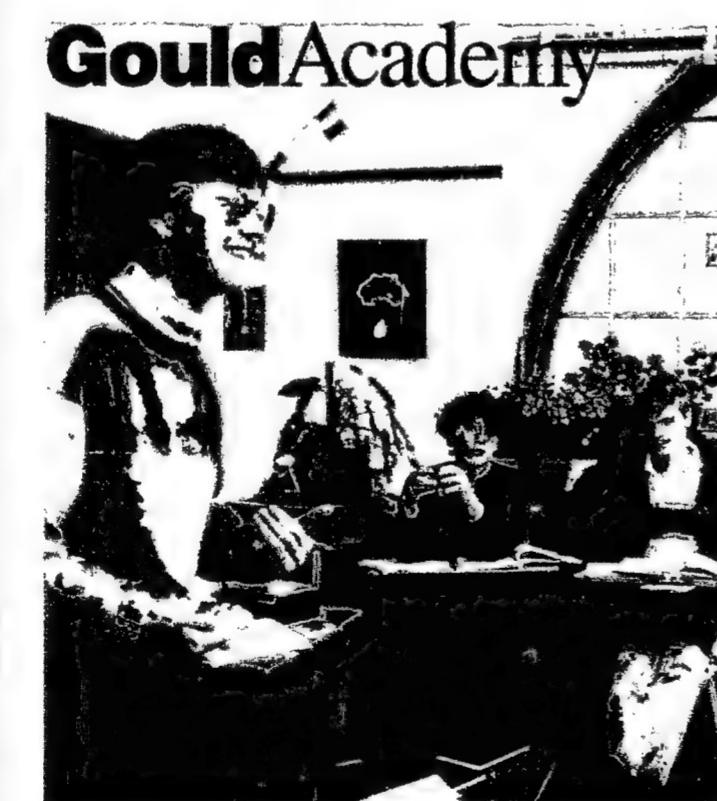
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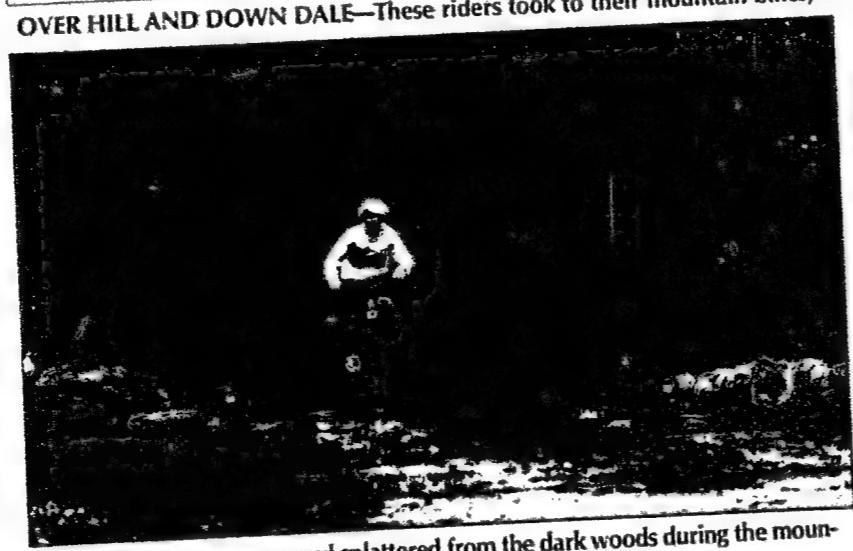
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Mountain biking offers the height of challenge



OVER HILL AND DOWN DALE—These riders took to their mountain bikes, traversing area snowmobile and hiking trails in the Maine Lung Association's first Mountain Bike Trek last September.



ROBERT RHU emerges mud-splattered from the dark woods during the mountain bike leg of a triathlon at Bethel's Gould Academy.



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At Sunday River the number to call is 207-824-3000. Sunday River offers 70 miles of trails accessible from the Sunday River Skway chairlifts, weekends and holidays only, July 1 to October 8.

Summer is in sight and Moriah Sports in nearby Gorham, N.H. is offering a series of organized Mountain Biking rides, while Sunday River in Newry, just outside Bethel, is for the first time offering mountain biking on the skway.

In Gorham:
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Mountain host hikes Evan's Notch district

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Hiking through the beautiful White Mountains, chatting with people you meet along the trails—it's the kind of job you can't believe you get paid for.

And you don't.

Jeff Franz, an architecture major at the University of Florida, spent last summer as a backcountry host for the Evan's Notch Ranger District. He received only a small daily stipend for the miles he hiked and the many odd jobs he did along the way.

As a backcountry host, Jeff provided the ranger district with a set of eyes and ears—and a pair of strong hands—in the outdoors.

"Jeff was our primary contact with users in the backcountry," said his supervisor, Assistant Ranger Rick McVey.

Jeff struck up conversations with the hikers he encountered along the trails or at the overnight shelters—conversations which provide the district with first-hand information on usage patterns in the backcountry, as well as with the complaints, compliments and general comments of hikers using the district.

The host's role is also educational, promoting the virtues of no-trace camping, proper sanitation and fire use.

And the host also fields questions from the hikers—from general inquiries about logging in the national forests to more pressing specifics

such as how long it will take to reach the next shelter.

And although he had no law-enforcement authority, Jeff did check to see that anyone leading a group of hikers had the required outfitter-guide permit.

The host also performs minor trail-maintenance tasks, hauls trash when necessary and periodically empties the collection buckets in the district's two backcountry composting toilets.

"It's not the best part of the job," Jeff said of this last task, "but it has to be done."

The host roams the entire district, but Jeff found that he spent much of his time in the popular Bald Face Mountain and White River areas.

The host meets solo hikers, large Outward Bound groups and everything in between. But for Jeff, the smaller groups were his favorite.

"We'll sit and talk—if the bugs aren't too bad," he said. "Some of the old timers know more about the district than the people at the station."

Campers, of course, tell stories. One veteran hiker Jeff encountered said he was a former advertising man for L.L. Bean. He told how L.L. bagged his first buck.

Seems the Bean hunting camp, the Dew Drop Inn, was located near the Wild River, not far from the once-prosperous but now vanished town of Hastings.

One day it was young L.L.'s turn to stay at the camp while the others went out to hunt for deer.

The hunters returned empty handed, only to find L.L. with a buck he had spotted and shot right behind the camp—or so the story goes.

When the hunting stories and the fish stories run out, there are always tales of horror—often, Jeff learned, with forestry people as the guesome victims.

"Some of the oldtimers know more about the district than the people at the station."

—Jeff Franz

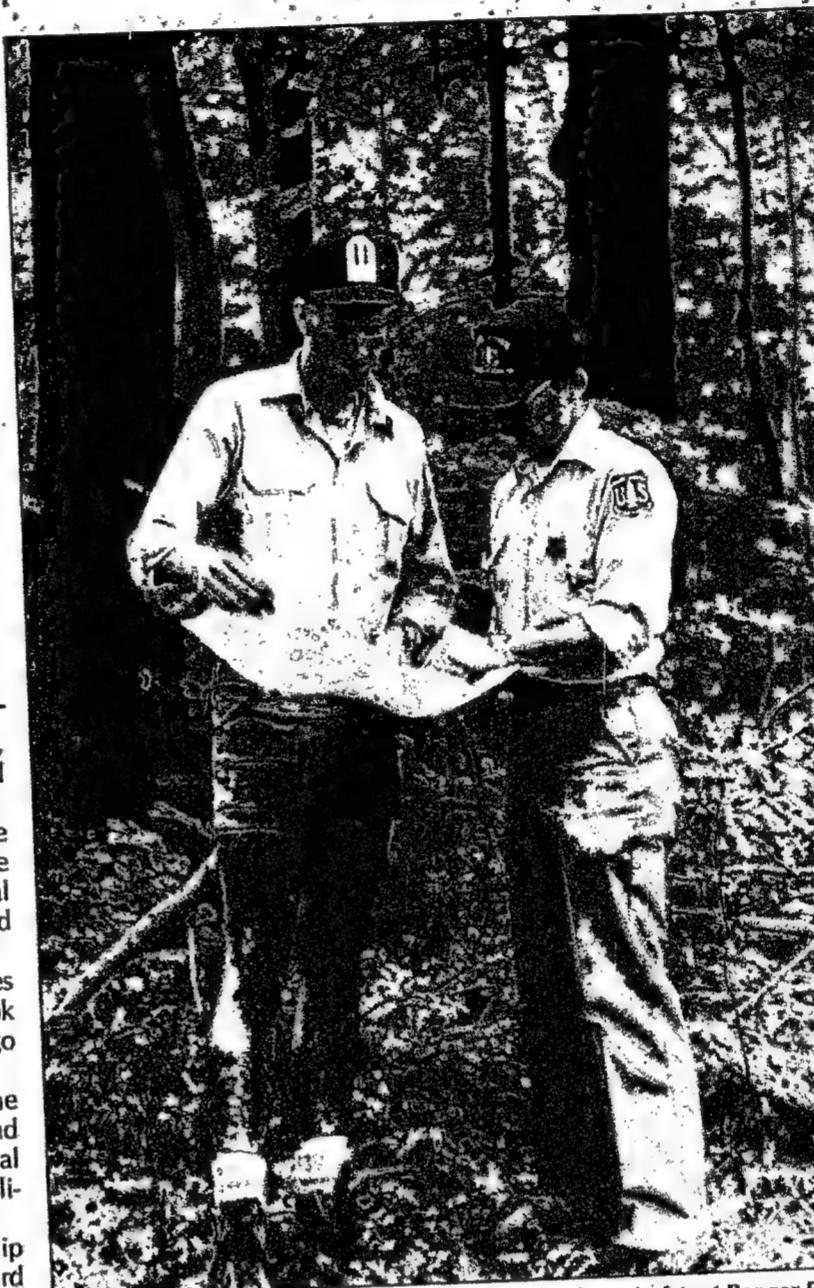
But even horror stories, Jeff said, are better than "the dreaded harmonica."

The stories and the people make up for the less attractive parts of the job—the bugs, and the occasional loneliness when the trail is long and hot and empty.

"At the end of the day sometimes you find yourself sitting with a book just waiting for the sun to go down," Jeff said.

When he wasn't staying in the woods, Jeff usually bunked, and sometimes ate, at the National Guard's Bog Brook Training Facility in Gilead.

But even there, companionship was a sometimes thing. The guard units rotate through, "but you make friends and then they're gone," Jeff said, "and it's sort of weird when no one else is out there."



MOUNTAIN HOST Jeff Franz, left, and his supervisor, Assistant Ranger Rick McVey, plan a route for one of Franz's daily hikes into the White Mountains. Jeff roamed the entire Evan's Notch district, but concentrated his time in the Wild River and Bald Mountain areas. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

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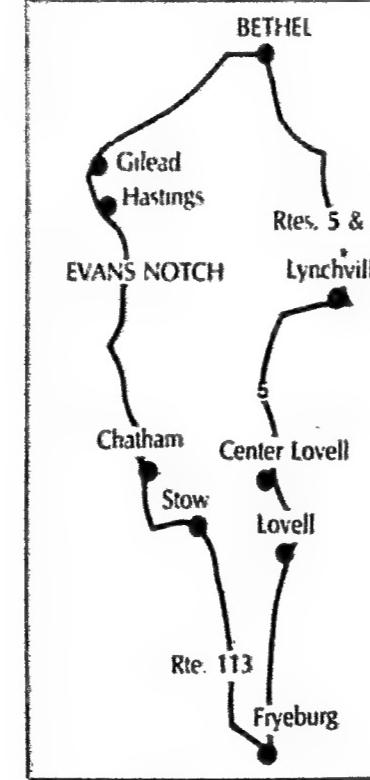
Hikes provide majestic mountain views

By BOB ELLIOTT

The Bethel area, in the foothills of the White Mountains, offers unlimited opportunity for hikers, campers, and lovers of nature to enjoy the great outdoors.

With the White Mountain National Forest to the west, the Mahoosuc Range and Grafton Notch State Park to the north, dozens of other peaks for hiking to the south and east, Bethel is literally surrounded with thousands of acres of wild and beautiful landscape.

A brief stop at the National Forest Ranger Station on Bridge Street (Rt. 2) in Bethel will provide you with maps and information about points of interest, and trails and campgrounds of the National Forest.



The Rangers also have available a number of informative handouts about hiking, camping, Forest Service policies, and a self-guided auto tour of the Patti Brook Demonstration Area where you can observe many of the Forest Service's management practices.

Evans Notch

From Bethel, drive west about 10 miles on Rt. 2 to the village of

Gilead. Turn left on Rt. 113 and head up alongside the Wild River. A little over three miles from Rt. 2 you'll cross Evans Brook near its confluence with Wild River. There is a parking lot on the right and the river road branches off from Rt. 113.

Stop there and take a path to the footbridge that crosses Wild River to the Highwater Trail for an easy walk upstream.

Other reasonably short hikes in Evans Notch include The Root Trail, beginning just back before the bridge over Evans Brook and climbing about 600 feet in less than a half-mile to a knob overlooking the river; and the East Royce Trail, which starts on the right at the crest of the Notch and gains the 3,100-foot summit of East Royce Mountain in less than a mile-and-a-half.

The latter hike may take a few hours, but affords you a view of the Presidential Range to the west, the Rangeleys to the north, and the entire hills and lakes region to the south and east.

Caribou Mountain

Plan on a half-day or better to enjoy the hike around the basin on the Basin Rim Trail, or a full day to climb Caribou Mountain, by either the Caribou Trail (up Morrison Brook) past Kees Falls, or the Mud Brook Trail.

You can enjoy both by going up one trail and down the other and still not be too far from your car. Caribou has another spectacular 360-degree view.

Evans Notch has four beautiful and spacious campgrounds that provide water, but no camper hookups. All are filled on a first-come first-served basis, so you may want to check with the ranger station for information on availability of sites.

There are also several private campgrounds in the Bethel area, most with camper hookups.

Grafton Notch

To reach Grafton Notch State Park from Bethel, take Rt. 26 north. But be sure to make one stop along



HIKERS ON HIGH—Long after the hard-body runners had crossed the finish line in last fall's Hike/Walk/Run, sponsored by the Mahoosuc Arts Council, family strollers happily brought up the rear. Nearly 200 participants joined the trek, climbing to the top of Barker Mountain by way of Sunday River Skiway's Three Mile Trail.

the way. About 2½ miles past the Maine Scenic Highway sign in North Newry, pull off the road on the right before crossing the bridge over Wight Brook.

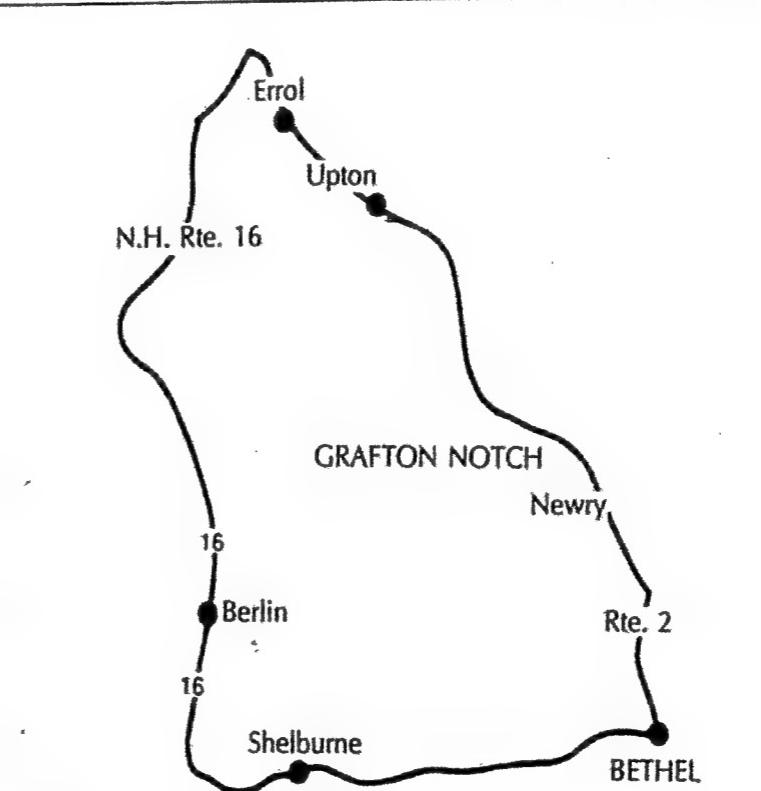
A short hike upstream brings you to Step Falls. Owned by the Nature Conservancy, Step Falls is a several-hundred-foot series of cascades where the brook tumbles over the granite ledges between Dresser Mountain and Lightning Ledge.

Bethel is literally surrounded with thousands of acres of wild and beautiful landscape.

After your visit to Step Falls, continue north on Rt. 26, and in just a few hundred yards you'll be in Grafton Notch State Park.

There are several fascinating stops along the Bear River, which

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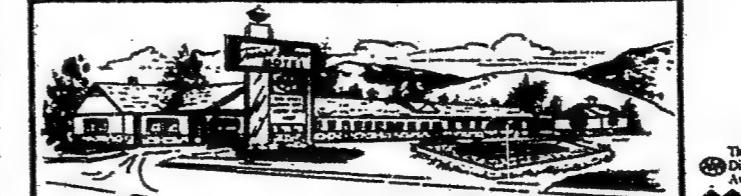


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Mtn. Mann: Gem hunter with a passion

By CHRISTY CROSS

Gem hunting has been a passion—some might say an obsession—of Jim Mann's since he was a boy.

Mann is a lapidary, a person who cuts gemstones. He is based in Bethel, in a light-filled, airy store/workshop on the second floor of Maine Street Place.

The glass-topped cabinets in his shop display a range of Maine gem specimens, sparkling in the afternoon sunlight.

He talks easily behind the counter, naming stones, the dates they were found, assessing their quality.

"I've got some pictures of me sleeping in a mine when I was in high school."

—Jim Mann

Yet the word lapidary does not roll easily from Mann's mouth. He prefers to say, simply and without pretense, "I cut gems."

"I just got the spark really bad when I was in sixth grade, in Lunenburg, Massachusetts," he says. "What ignited it was coming to Gould Academy."

In Lunenburg, Mann says, he had a teacher particularly interested in earth sciences. The teacher told the class about a nearby quarry, Rollstone Granite Quarry, and the young Jim Mann headed out on the trail of his life's passion.

He came to Bethel, to Gould Academy, for high school.

A private boarding school, Gould Academy's campus ranges down the slope of Bethel's Church Street and offers a view from its lawns and dormitories of the majestic White Mountains.

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"I begged 'em for all the information I could get. Then I'd go out and peddle my bicycle to the locations they described."

"I had a lot of early luck," he says. Soon, a rock hammer was not enough. "I bought a rock drill—for \$1,100, at age 18, in 1967."

He shakes his head now thinking of the cost, at that age. A similar drill in 1990 would cost around \$4,500, he says.

He was, as he says, ignited.

"I've got some pictures of me sleeping in a mine when I was in high school," he says. "And once before I was out of high school, I got buried up to my shoulders in a mine. I thought I was going to die."

In 1969 Mann went into the U.S. Navy and served "one year, eight months, sixteen days and four hours," he says. "I came back to East Bethel, to live, and began collecting like there was no tomorrow. I was a mountain goat with a drill.

"I also worked in Boston one day raining, I cut stones . . . I went to craft shows and craft fairs, building up to custom gem cutting and selling to commercial jewelers and goldsmiths.

"I also worked in Boston one day a week as a gem stone jobber," a repair man who, for example, fixes chipped stones, he says. "And one day a week I traveled to New York, starting to establish myself as a gem salesperson."

"I built up a really good business between 1971 and 1975, to the point where I had a good enough inventory to lose it all to a burglar," he says.

He rebuilt his business and it took a second, more recent, burglary, to

move him out of his house and into his Main Street shop, where increased visibility, an alarm system and a big safe, he believes, will protect his gems.

"I've had little tastes of very fine finds, but I've never had the big ones."

—Jim Mann

And what gems he has to protect. Late last year, Mann gained the cutting and marketing contract for a portion of The Rose of Maine, what was, when discovered Oct. 7, 1989, the largest North American morganite (pink beryl) crystal ever found. (See related story, next page.)

Mann has a contract with Dennis Holden, one of the team of brothers that found the Rose, to cut and market his share of the crystal.

Mann says his particular area of expertise in gem cutting is starting the stone.

First, he "interprets" the stone, deciding what would make the best cut. It's almost an intuitive process, he says.

"I think it's part of my dyslexia, my ability to have reversed imagery. I can look at this piece of rough here," he says, holding up and peering into a piece of amethyst "Deer Hill, Stowe, Me., 1966-67—and when I turn it over . . . I can maintain the image of the front side and super-impose it on the other side. I have a 3-D picture of this rock right in my head."

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JIM MANN at the grinding wheel he bought while in high school.

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Then, once he decides the cut, he grinds out the rough form and sends the finish work out.

Dennis Holden got one 13-pound piece and one four-pound piece of the Rose, as well as, from the same find, a single crystal, 3,010-carat gem dubbed The Peach, Mann says. "The Peach is now at the Harvard Mineralogical Museum."

Mann says over the past dozen years or so he has made eight or nine deals with the Harvard Museum, where they've bought or traded fine mineral specimens or gems that he has mined, or has cut from collections he has acquired.

For example, he says, "I had a very significant find in 1985 of purple apatite from Mt. Rubellite in Hebron. The Harvard Museum at that time got a fine suite of purple apatite."

A suite, Mann explains, is a collection of rough materials and finished gems.

Also, he says, in 1987 he completed a 15-piece collection of the whole quartz family, in rough and finished cuts, for the Maine State Museum.

But all has not been city gem dealings and museum quality cuttings.

Mann says he recently gave up independent contract blasting, a side-line he developed to help support himself while he was building his business.

He says he also worked for a couple of years in the woods after his

first burglary, to sustain himself and to pay back the people whose gems were among those stolen.

"It gave me a serious appreciation of people battling the woods for a living," he says.

And Mann is still waiting for his own big find. "I've had little tastes of very fine finds," he says, "but I've never had the big ones."

Again shaking his head, slowly this time, side to side, he says he was mining about 12 years ago just off to the side of where the Holden brothers found the Rose.

"The pocket had been there, right up against the wall of the pit, hidden probably since the 1950's, by debris that had fallen off the mountain."

Smiling at the irony of it, Mann says he was mining at that time—volunteering—with a minister. His look, his gestures, imply: You'd think, with a man of the cloth, God would have been more generous...

"I have yet to have this peak experience of treasure hunting. It's not the gold I'm after it's the treasure hunting—I'd do the treasure hunting for free."

"To be finding these geometrically-shaped objects in the ground is a rush," he says, "his choice of terminology. To open a pocket of earth, full of treasure..."

How is he going to feel if he dies without ever hitting the big one?

Mann doesn't mince words. The gem-like shine in his blue eyes darkens ever-so-slightly. He looks down. "Bitter," he says.

But tomorrow, Mann will be sitting at his bench, in front of his grinding wheel—the same one he bought in high school. He'll swivel his chair around to face the window, raise his arm to the light and peer at another rough gemstone, making his picture of the cut.

"You don't make your living in this business from mineral finds," he says. "You make it from cutting gems."

According to Mann, Ron and Dennis Holden, working as Holdens Bros. Mining, began mining the Bennett Mine last summer under an agreement with the mine owner, Paul Bennett.

Near the end of the season the brothers began unearthing crystals from a ledge. The pocket, waiting nearly exposed since probably the 1950's, Mann estimates, produced numerous crystals, among them, he says, four fine pieces of morganite, including the Rose.

The Rose was imbedded in a matrix which the Holdens excavated and trimmed to 400 pounds, in order to move it, Mann says; they took it to the Norway Savings Bank for safekeeping.

But a dispute arose between the brothers, Mann says, a dispute which was settled, at least temporarily, by splitting the crystal.

The brothers divided the resulting pieces—one 17-pound block, one 13-pound block and a four-pound block and 17 pounds of pieces—and parted company.

Mann says he contracted with

Dennis Holden to cut and market his share, which included the 13-pound block, the four-pound block, and the Peach, a one pound, 5.25 ounce morganite crystal found three weeks before the Rose, and about 20 feet from the pocket.

The Rose of Maine



Mann inspects a piece of the Rose

"Dennis got the best piece of cutting rough, the four-pound piece," Mann says. "Out of that piece of rough I've cut \$20,000 worth of gems and there's more left to cut."

"You don't make your living in this business from mineral finds. You make it from cutting gems."

—Jim Mann

"The Peach, a full, six-sided crystal, the largest (intact), most perfectly formed morganite crystal to come from Maine, is now at the Harvard Mineralogical Museum," Mann says; other pieces from the 1989 Bennett Mine find have gone to the Maine State Museum (a 184.2 carat piece) and to individual collectors.

Mann says pieces of the Rose are selling for \$35-\$50 a carat, cut.

"A premium has been put on the Rose. On the world market, morganite would probably bring \$10-\$20 a carat. But a factor of two or three is being paid for the Rose," Mann says.

And who knows what 1990 will bring to the surface at the Bennett mine? According to Mann, Dennis plans to go back into the mine this summer with Ron.

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There's lots to do in Bethel this summer

Below is a listing of some of the interesting activities and events that have been scheduled for this summer and fall. For up-to-date listings, check the calendar of events on page seven of *The Bethel Citizen* each week. *The Citizen* is the local weekly paper, published every Wednesday.

MAY

Saturday, 26th—Faye Taylor Memorial Art Show at the Bethel Historical Society, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. SAD #44 Elementary School Art Show.

Sunday, 27th—Bethel Historical Society celebrates the 201st birthday of Dr. Moses Mason with party, open house, crafts, program, 2-4 p.m.

JUNE

Saturday, 2nd—Plant sale at the Bethel Library, 10 a.m.-12. Rain date, June 3.

Saturday, 2nd—Rotary Club Bike-a-Thon, sale and bike safety course, 9 a.m., on the Bethel Common. Call 824-3017 for details.

Friday-Sunday, 15-17—Bicycle Trek Across Maine from Sunday River Skiway (Bethel) to Rockland. Fundraiser for American Lung Association. For details call Maine Lung Association, 1-800-462-LUNG.

Saturday, 30th—Bethel Art Fair, Western Maine artists and photographers displaying and selling their hanging art. Call 824-2282 for details. Rain date, July 7.

JULY

Date to be announced—Strawberry Festival and Craft Fair at Locke Mills Union Church. Date depends on when fruit ripens. For details call 875-2352.

Sunday, 1st—Mason family gathering at the Bethel Historical Society. All persons with Mason family connections; genealogical research, program, activities. For details call 824-2908.

Friday, 20th—Bethel Rotary Club Auction at Telstar High School cafeteria. Preview at 6 p.m. Sale at 7 p.m.

Saturday, 21st—Mollyockett Day on the Bethel Common. Parade, foot races, Ronald McDonald Show, frog jumping contest, woodmen's contest, bed race, fiddler's contest, crafts, food, games, Sesame Street characters, fireworks. For details call 824-2282.

Friday, 27th—Roberts Brothers Circus sponsored by the Lion's Club. Three ring circus under big tent at Pat Murphy's Field, Bridge

Street, (Route 2) Bethel. Two shows, time to be announced. For details call 824-2107.

Friday-Sunday, 27-29th—Town of Woodstock 175th Anniversary. Friday—Children's parade, booths, supper, variety show, fireworks.

Saturday—Parade, booths, games, supper, dance, candlelight boat parade on Lake Christopher. Sunday, other events. For details call Pamela House, 665-2263.

AUGUST

Date to be announced—Blueberry Festival and Craft Fair at the Locke Mills Union Church. Date depends on when berries ripen. For details call 875-2352.

Friday-Sunday, 3-5th—Andover Olde Home Days. Friday, 6 p.m.—Band concert. Saturday, 10 a.m.—Parade followed by flea market, flower show, food, crafts, auto show, art show, fireman's muster, arm wrestling, chicken barbecue, dance. Sunday, 9 a.m.—Ellis River Riders Horse Show. 10 a.m.—Old home services at Andover Congregational Church. For details call Jane Rich, 392-3761.

Saturday, 11th—Sudbury Canada Days at the Bethel Historical Society. Children's parade, croquet and horseshoe tournament, art and craft display, flower show, baked bean supper, variety show. Call 824-2908 for details.

Tuesday, 21st—Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament at the Bethel Inn & Country Club. Registration, 11 a.m., luncheon, 12 noon, tee off, 1 p.m. Call 824-2282 for details.

Friday-Sunday, 24th-26th—New England Trappers' Weekend, East Bethel. Friday noon to Sunday, 4 p.m. Sale of hunting, fishing and trapping gear, demonstrations, auction, dance, skits, crafts and food. Entry fee, \$2. For details call Neil Olson, 875-5765.

Saturday, 25th—Quilt show at Middle Intervale Meeting House, Bethel, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Date to be announced—Apple festival and craft fair at Locke

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QUILT SHOW—Mary Keniston, Arlene Brown, Shirley Clough, Barbara Kuzyk, Geraldine Howe and Virginia Keniston pose happily during last summer's Middle Intervale Quilt Show. This year's show is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 25 at the Middle Intervale Meeting House.

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Andover Congregational Church—June 9.

Bethel United Methodist Church—5-6 p.m. Second Saturday each month, October thru May.

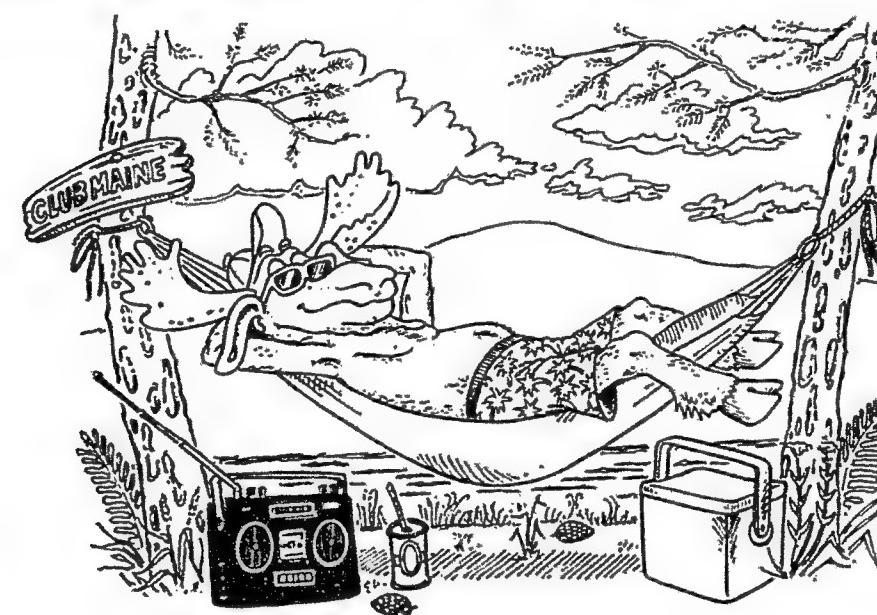
East Stoneham Congregational Church—5-7 p.m. June 21, July 5 and 19, Aug. 2, 16 and 30, Sept. 13 and 27, Oct. 11, Nov. 8.

North Waterford Congregational Church—5:30 p.m. July 9 and 24, Aug. 7 and 21.

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Calendar of events
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Mills Union Church. Date depends on when fruit ripens. For details call 875-2352.

OCTOBER

Thursday, 4th—Gould Academy performing arts series presents: Beaujeste Moving Theater, 7:30 p.m. at Bingham Hall Auditorium.
 Saturday, 6th—Bethel Historical Society homecoming weekend, 1-4 p.m. Special tours, program, "Gould thru the Years." Call 824-2908 for details.

Saturday & Sunday, 6th & 7th—Blue Mountains Arts and Crafts Festival at Sunday River Ski Resort, featuring over 30 craftspeople displaying and selling their works, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Lunch available and entertainment.

Saturday, 6th (tentative)—Mountain Run, Hike or Walk at Sunday River Ski Resort sponsored by the Mahoosuc Arts Council. For details call 824-3575.

Friday & Saturday, 26th & 27th—Bethel Outing Club ski sale, Gould Academy Field House. Friday, 6:30-9 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Saturday, 27th—Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce turkey trot. Foot races for all ages. Call 824-2282.

NOVEMBER

Saturday, 3rd—Christmas fair at West Bethel Union Church, 2-4 p.m. Crafts, food, cookie walk.
 Friday & Saturday, 9th & 10th—Fall fair at United Methodist

Church, Bethel. Christmas gifts, crafts, food, tea. Friday, 1-5 p.m. Saturday, 1-4 p.m.

Thursday, 15th—Gould Academy performing arts series presents: Donald Hall, poetry reading, 7:30 p.m. in Bingham Auditorium.
 Saturday, 17th—Mahoosuc Arts Council presents: Gordon Bok, folk singer-guitarist. 7:30 p.m. in Bingham Auditorium.

DECEMBER

Saturday, 1st—Christmas fair at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel, in the afternoon. Crafts, food, tea.

Saturday, 1st—Christmas fair at Casco Northern Bank, Bethel, 9-12 a.m. Sponsored by Albany Congregational Church.
 Saturday, 1st—Green sale, crafts, food, cookie walk at West Bethel Union Church, 10-12 a.m.

ONGOING EVENTS

The Friday Gift Shop at the United Methodist Church, Bethel, every Friday, 1-5 p.m. June 11th-Aug. 31st.
 Game Party every Friday at the Locke Mills Legion Hall, on the Gore Road (doors open 5:30 p.m., play starts at 6:30 p.m.).
 Sunfish and Open Class Sailing every Sunday on North Pond, Locke Mills, July and August. For details call Blaine Mills, 875-3726.

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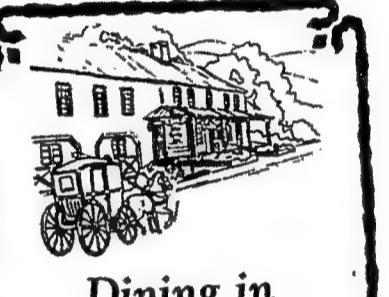
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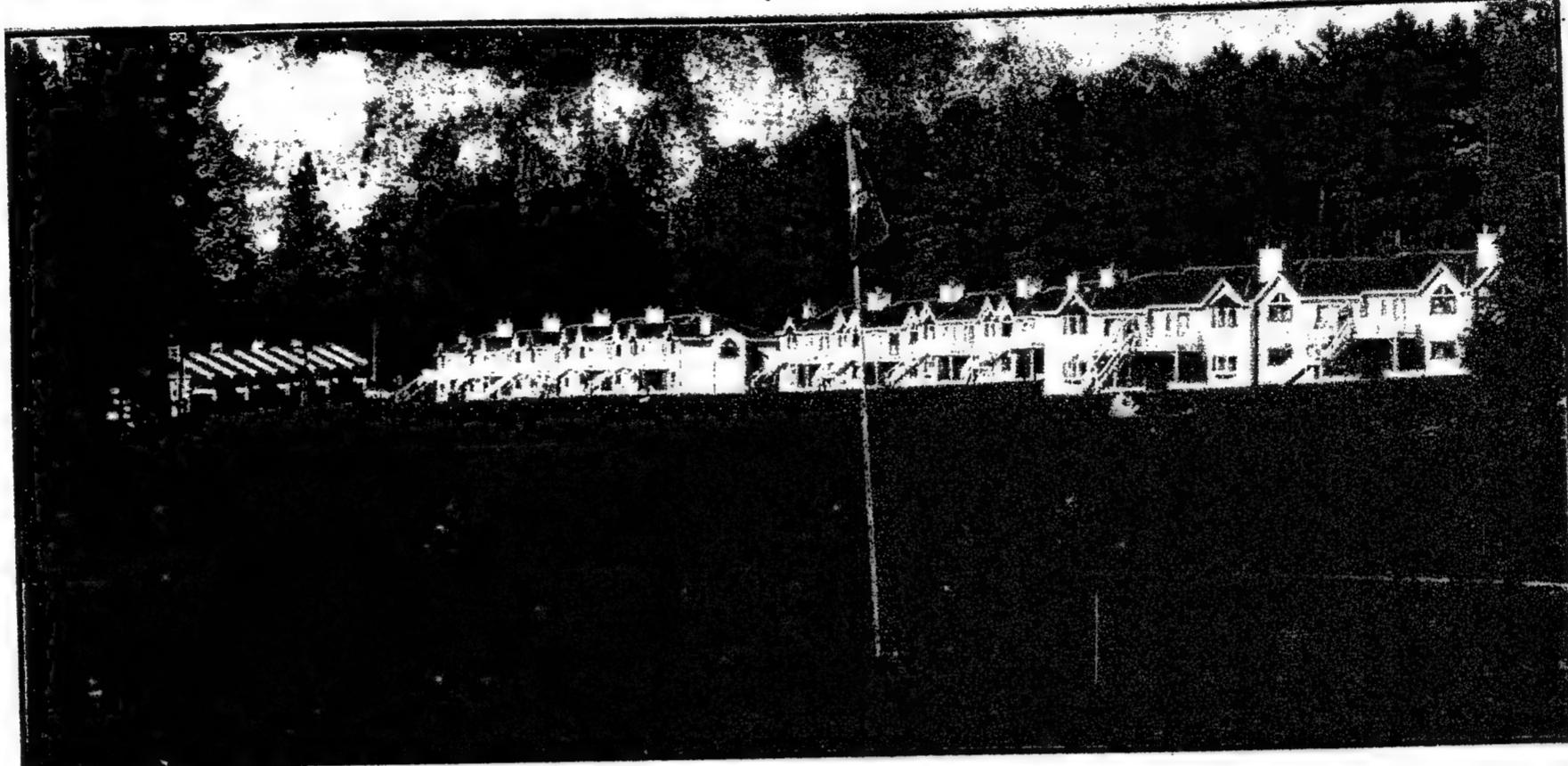


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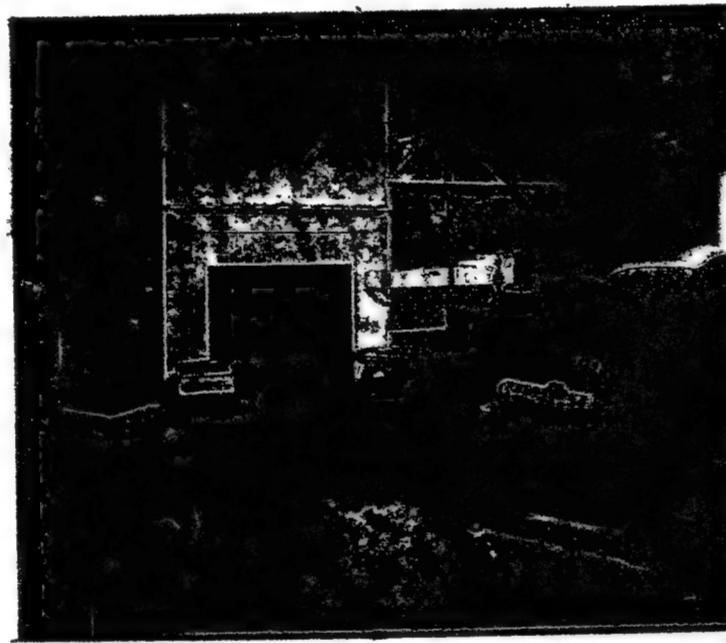


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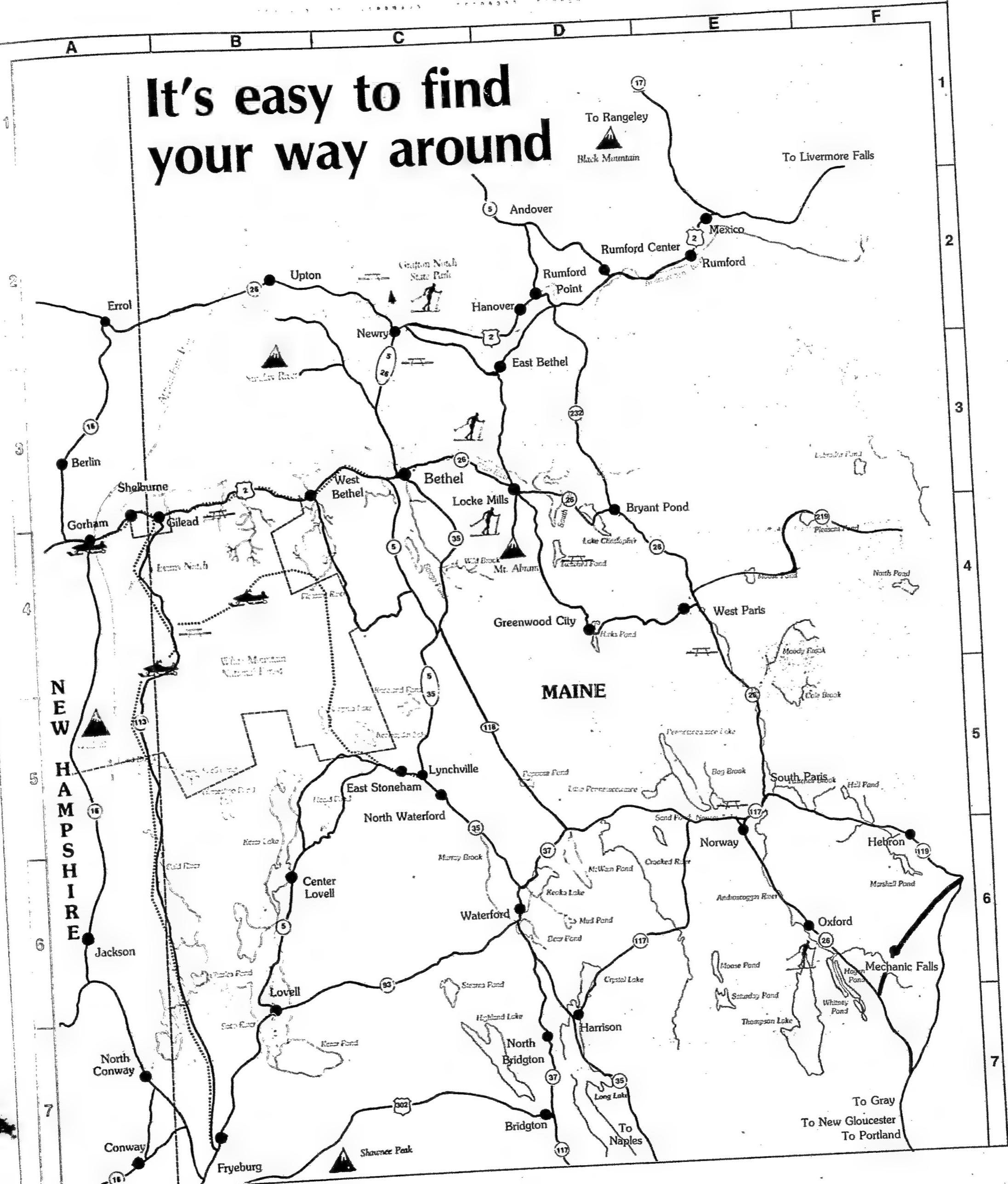


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The tour starts at the Moses Mason House on Broad Street. (See map.)

The Moses Mason House dates from 1813 and was the home of Dr. Moses Mason—physician, teacher, postmaster and public servant. The Federal period house is now a museum, restored by the Bingham Foundation and furnished, through local contributions, by the Bethel Historical Society.

Continue the tour by walking in

a southerly direction, left on Broad Street.

The Broad Street houses are distinguished by a variety of architectural features, as well as by their overall New England character, dating from the mid-to-late-19th century.

Broad Street was once popularly known as Straw Street, as three of its residents, including Dr. Mason, married sisters—the Misses Straw.

Continue along Broad Street.

The National Training Laboratory (NTL) center. The large estate at the end of Broad Street is now the summer headquarters of this behavioral training organization.

The main building was once the home of Dr. John Gehring—one of the pioneers in the treatment of nervous disorders.

The modern dining hall and dormitories were added by NTL.

Return to the Common, passing on the left side of Broad Street.

The Bethel Inn. This side of the Common has been the site of three hotels during the town's history.

The present inn was built in 1913 and during the summer offers golf, tennis and swimming as well as food and lodging.

The Common. Once the center of village life, the Common was a gift to the town from Eleazar Twitchell, one of the first settlers.

The Common was once fenced for cattle, but has, for most of its history, been a park. The fountain was newly built in the fall of 1984, replacing one built in 1896. A monument commemorating Bethel's war dead stands at the northerly end of the common.

During the winter, local residents construct an ice-skating rink on the Common.

The Bethel Opera House is now condominiums, but it used to be a restaurant, and before that, a store and a public hall.

The Fire Station. One of the newer public buildings in town, the fire station was built in 1965. It replaced a large frame building known as The Block, which had housed a store, two apartments, community room, offices and the fire department, at various times.

From the Common, proceed in northerly direction along Church Street.

The vacant lot to the right once contained an old jail known popularly as The Lock-up. Tramps and other wanderers were allowed to spend the night there.

The modern Casco Bank building, built in 1968, stands on the site originally occupied by Bryant's Market, operated by four generations of Bryants. Cross the street.

The Odd Fellows Hall was built in the 1890s. Behind it, the Masonic Lodge occupies the building erected by the Christian Science Society in 1924. Cross the street.

The Naimey Block, built in 1922, houses the Post Office, Bethel Spa Motel, clothing and other shops and apartments. Cross the street.

The Methodist Church was built in 1893, replacing an older building that was destroyed by a cyclone in 1891. Cross the street.

The Bethel House site, which is now senior citizen housing, has

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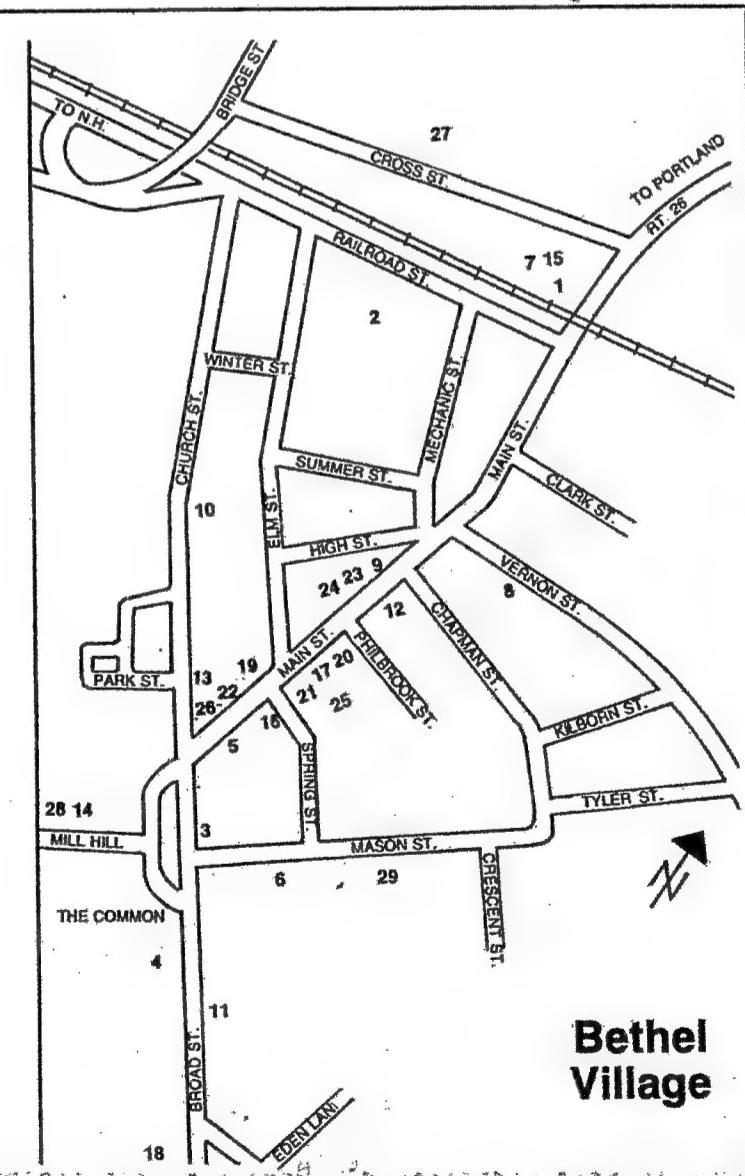
CHURCH STREET in Bethel is aptly named. Both the Church of the Nazarene and the West Parish Congregational Church on Church Street, were built in the mid-1800's.

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Walking Tour
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served various functions in town. It was a motel, a dormitory for Gould Academy, and a movie theater. Cross the street.

The Cole Block was built in 1891. It was once the location of Bethel's two banks, as well as the town office.

Odeon Hall, on the second floor, has served as a movie theater and was the location for town meetings, socials, Gould graduations, church services and other gatherings.

Presently The Cole Block houses the town office, plus an insurance office, and The Bethel Citizen newspaper office and print shop.

The Bethel Savings Bank's new building, built in 1974, occupies a site that formerly had a store, the post office and a laundromat. Cross the street.

The Wiley Block has been the location of a drug store, under different ownerships, for many years. It was also formerly a post office location.

The unique double building on the corner was built in the mid-1800s. The wooden structure has been a store, and a lawyer's home and office; the brick portion has been a shop, an artist's studio, a dance theater, and now a law office. Continue down Broad Street.

The Bethel Library building is a combination of two structures, the wall being formed out of a law library. The present front section was built in the 1930s.

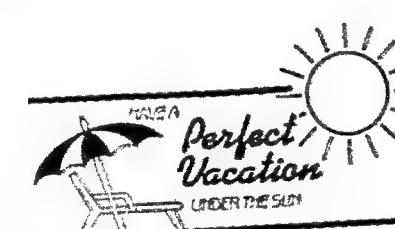
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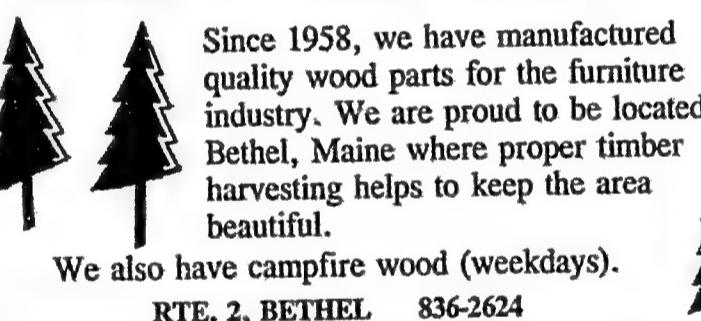


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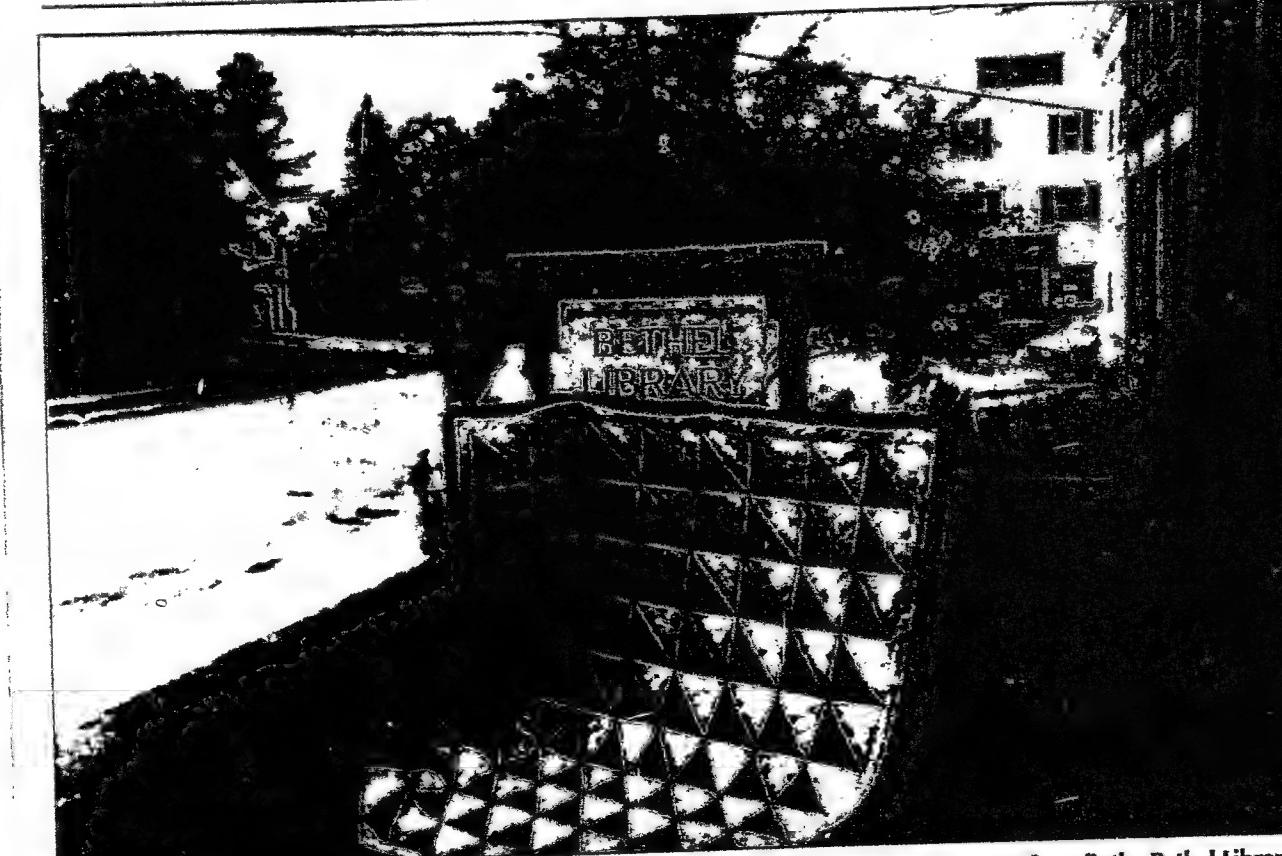
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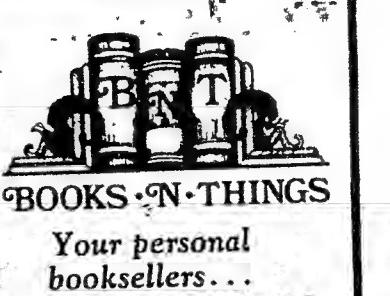
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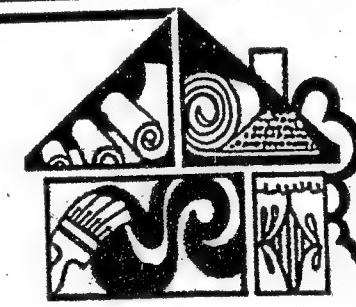
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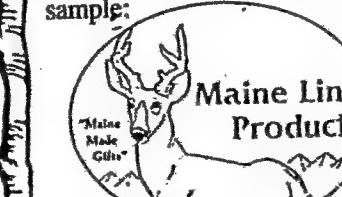
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IT WON'T JUMP—Forest Duplessis, left, entered a recalcitrant frog in the 1989 Mollyockett Day frog-jumping competition.



HEADING BACK from whence it came, this frog has completed its jump and is being carried homeward by its trainer.

Local festivals combine

Like many small towns, Bethel has its own mid-summer festival. It's called Mollyockett Day and is named in honor of a legendary Pequawket Indian who lived among the early settlers of the area, and treated their illnesses.

This summer the festival will be July 21. As usual, it will feature a parade, foot races, a bed race, arts and crafts booths on the Common, a loggers' contest, a frog jumping contest, a Ronald McDonald Show, a fiddlers' contest, and many other events.

The day is a principal fund-raiser for area service clubs, as well as a day of fun and reunion. It was first started in 1949 as the Bethel Bazaar.

In keeping with the Mollyockett tradition of healing, the Bethel Health Council assumed sponsorship of the community event in the early 1950s.

In recent years, the Bethel Lions Club, the Bethel Rotary Club and the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce have joined the Health Council in sponsoring the festival. Mollyockett herself was known as a great health practitioner.

Her most famous patient was the infant Hannibal Hamlin, of nearby Paris Hill. Arriving at the Hamlin home on a stormy night in 1809, after being refused shelter at Snow Falls, and, according to legend, cursing the place, Mollyockett found young Hannibal near death.

Her prescription of warm cow's milk reportedly saved his life, and he went on to become vice president during Abraham Lincoln's first term.

Second only to her medical reputation was Mollyockett's fame as a storyteller. Most famous are the "treasure stories"—the burying of Indian gold in West Paris beneath a trap hung in a tree, and similar tales involving White Cap Mour-



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Andover, a half-hour from Bethel, was Mollyockett's final home when she became too ill to travel.

She was cared for there by the Thomas Bragg family. She died on Aug. 2, 1816, and was buried in the Andover cemetery.

Fifty years later the women of the Andover church raised money for a marker, which was installed on Mollyockett's grave on July 4, 1867.

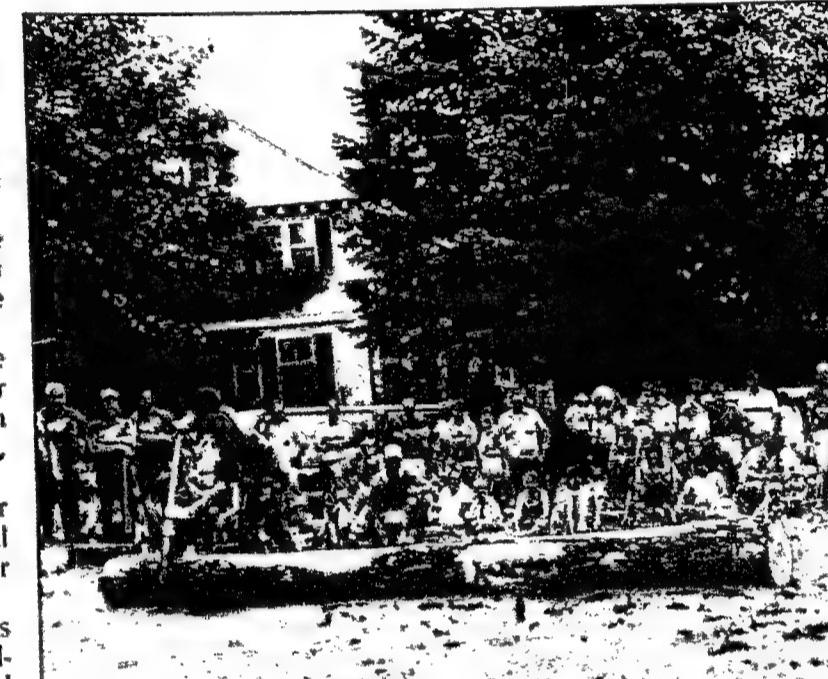
Children from the Andover Elementary School make an annual trip to the cemetery to pay their respects to the famous Indian.

The town of Andover has its own mid-summer celebration, called Olde Home Day. To be held Aug. 3-5 this year, it usually draws thousands of people for a parade featuring old cars, horseback riders, and floats, as well as for the fire department's famous chicken barbecue, the "cow chip flip" contest and other down home events.

The Bethel Historical Society sponsors a weekend of events honoring the 18th century settlers of the town. To be held Aug. 11 this year, the holiday is called Sudbury Canada Days—harking back to the early name of the town, "Sudbury Canada," because the first settlers were ex-soldiers from Sudbury, Mass., who had fought in the 1690 campaign to conquer Canada.

The weekend features displays of old-time crafts and pastimes, games for the children, good food, and music.

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IT WON'T ROLL—Danny Myers takes some good-natured ribbing from his fellow loggers when he can't get his log moving during the woodsman competition.



JAIME CARON gets his face painted by Ted Lawrence during Mollyocket Day 1989.



TREE'D AT LAST—The caged raccoon is hoisted up a pole with coon dogs in baying pursuit at last year's New England Trapper's Weekend, held in East Bethel.

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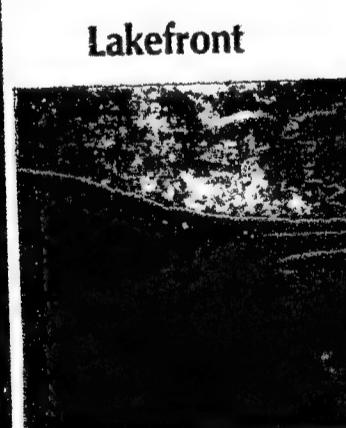


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The fox and the grasshopper (not a parable)

By FRANK VOGT

This is the time of the grasshopper. Whether you are of the green, orange, yellow, tan or cream-colored body school is beside the point. Each of the above will take trout equally well, according to one who knew.

I could have sworn I saw a turkey quill wing floating in the trench of our smelt shack...

If you are a serious fly fisherman you cannot, in good conscience, be without a few grasshoppers in your fly box when you're out on a summer raid.

Somewhere in the Great Beyond is a face wreathed in smiles. Loosely translated the smiles mean, "Ha, Lamp-Head really paid attention when I used to tell him about the best fly pattern ever imagined."

The truth is that this individual (who preferred to remain anonymous) used the grasshopper almost exclusively. Continued respect for his preference allows me to write only that whenever he closed his barbershop for a day of fishing he earned dozens of them in a special fly box.

Further truth is that he was often successful when he cast his grasshopper upon the waters. I maintain that success was more testimonial to fly than to fisherman.

Now anyone who has seen a real grasshopper has to wonder how the artificially tied creations can possibly compare with self-respecting salmon or trout when he sees one twirled around his head or dragged through his neighborhood as a snack.

We who tie them wonder the same thing.

Regardless of body color, the artificial bears little resemblance to the natural.

Ralph "Jug" Merrill

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As is true of most flies tied to float, the hackle is critical to the physique of a good grasshopper. And how many of us have ever seen a real-life insect of any persuasion with a chicken feather "collar" wrapped around its body just behind its head?

Combined with the characteristic brown turkey quill wing, that hackle makes for great attraction to fish.

The grasshopper succeeds as both wet and dry fly. And, in spite of the fact that the real critters are alive and well during the mid to late summer months, the artificial works even when fished as a nymph in April and October.

The first time I fished the Nezinscot River my "guide," one Ashley Everett, commanded, "Put on a #1-1/2" grasshopper and strip it in so's to make a #1-1/2" wake just under the #1-1/2" surface." (Ash is a student of the expletive.)

Following his orders I took many trout in the eight and ten-inch range. It was May. There wasn't a live grasshopper in sight.

I have also watched (you get to observe much when you sit in the stern of a canoe paddling someone around so he can fish) the late barber take both salmon and trout in the light-cruise class in late September after the native grasshoppers have gone south for the winter.

And though I can't prove it, I suspect that same fisherman has used the same fly for icefishing.

I could have sworn I saw a turkey quill wing floating in the trench of our smelt shack on the Eastern River in Dresden one winter's night years ago.

He was furtive about rebaiting his lines after catching smelts—and he took three to every one of mine.

Granted, there are risks in depending on an exclusive fly. Anticipation of success can become

forgotten to bring his grasshoppers!

As Benjamin Disraeli (famous prime minister and fly fisherman) wrote, "What we anticipate seldom occurs; what we least expect generally happens."

A guy named Murphy later put it this way, "Whatever can go wrong probably will."

I refer to a dark moment summers ago when the shop was closed and we were opening for business on a favorite trout pond. Fish were showing everywhere. But there was no joy in the bow. Himself had

been rendered fishless by rotenone. Sitting in the stern was that local fisherman.

It was the moment of the grasshopper. It was the ideal moment of anticipation as I tied one on and began to false cast slowly, letting out line inches at a time to savor the moment.

He sat with bowed head as the fly sailed back and forth beside him. His shoulders slumped as I hummed, "Indian Pond and horned pout," in cadence with my casts.

It was the ideal moment of anticipation as I tied one on a began to false cast slowly...

When neither of us could stand it any longer I let the grasshopper fall to the water. Within seconds a trout struck and was hooked.

Anxious to share the moment, I asked politely if he'd release the fish so that I could try for a larger one. My associate ground his teeth and snarled, "You miserable whelp!" (an expression he often interchanged with "Lamp-Head.")

After my grasshopper had taken two or three more trout he exploded, "You dirty brakafis! Let me borrow a grasshopper."

That ultimate profanity was a clue that he was upset. He confided later that he was "mad enough to pass a Wilkie button."

However I was not about to let the juicy moment go without wringing

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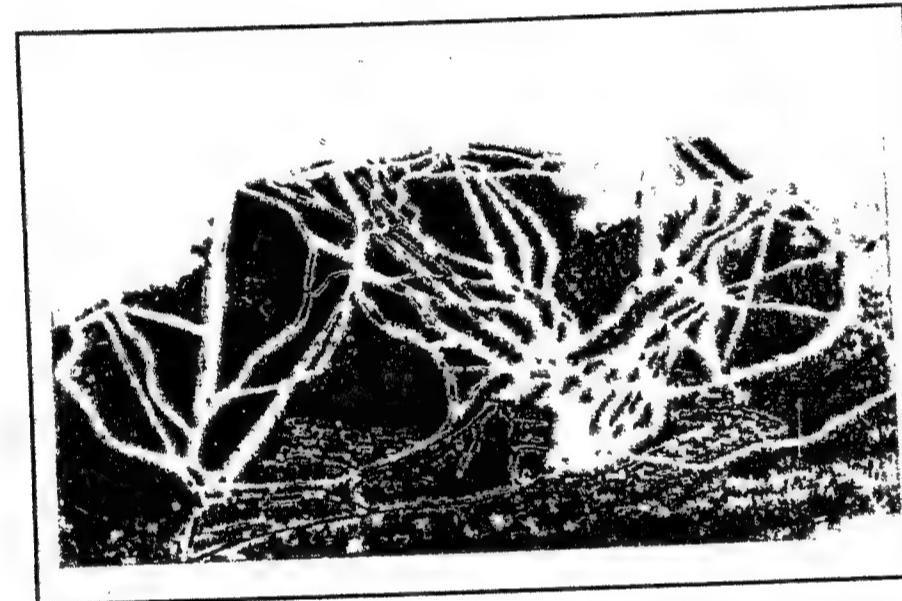
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Fishing
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Before offering his choice I made him promise not to do any more "rain dances" when he knew I was fishing while he was working. He was never mention Indian Pond in the barbershop again. And he had to give up his canoe-wrenching fake sneezing spells whenever I was trying to tie a size 22 fly onto a $\frac{1}{8}$ tipper. Only then did I let him have a grasshopper.

An uneasy truce prevailed for the rest of the day. Caught up in the joys of feeding trout, all we could invent to haggle over was that matter of body color.

He knew enough not to push too hard. He was using my patterns, after all.

Eventually we reached agreement. We'd both read accounts of well-known fly tiers who are convinced that it's more important to have variety of sizes in certain patterns than to have great variety of patterns.

So if you're preparing to go onto the attack, whether you're after salmon or trout, stream or pond fishing, consider the grasshopper.

It's sometimes amazing what such a small bunch of wool and feathers can do for you.

As for himself, it was my profound pleasure to watch him take his final trout from a favorite New Hampshire pond.

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Bass hit with a jolt

By FRANK VOGT

Casting for black bass has developed into one of the most popular methods of catching these pugnacious characters that inhabit many of the ponds, lakes and even a few rivers in this part of Maine.

Anyone who has fished for bass can tell you that both largemouth and smallmouth will frequently attack a fly, popping bug, lure or bait just for spite.

These fish not only resent neighborhood invaders; they defend against invasions.

While a bass will not always go for just any artificial lure or bait that approaches him, he'll usually charge at least once. And with a vengeance!

Like most fish the bass is partial to certain colors. Red, yellow, white and combinations of them regularly get his attention.

The Bass-Oreno, an old red and white Shakespeare plug proved effective.

Today's Jitterbug and Hula-Popper are among more recent inventions that produce good results.

The red and white bucktail and the Mickey Finn work well for this fly fisherman.

Whichever offering you decide on, presentation is important. It's worthwhile to experiment when you begin to cast, using various retrieves to discover what will best arouse your prey.

At times, bass react to a fast-moving target. When the lure darts past, a heavy fish can strike hard enough to jolt the rod almost out of your hand if you're caught off guard.

At other times only a slow, deep or bottom-bumping retrieve will provoke the fish to strike.

A good rule of thumb is to avoid getting into a rut with your retrieves. You'll improve the chance of antagonizing bass by varying the action, as well as the speed and depth of the retrieve.

The more life-like movement, the better.

Bass occasionally explode at the surface for a motionless morsel, but they are more apt to charge an erratically moving target. The least effective is the smooth, even retrieve. It's important to keep the lure animated.

Given their aggressive nature

you need only to decide on which of the bass family to zero in on.

Quite often both occupy the same water, although the smallmouth is less inclined toward the shallow, weedy, warm areas that the largemouth seems to prefer. The former frequents rocky shorelines and deeper, cooler water.

If you're interested in

heavyweights you'll want to tangle with the largemouth.

deep runs and anchor-like sulks. They do not come to the net willingly.

By comparison the smallmouth has long been known as "pound for pound the fightingest freshwater fish that swims."

If you can recall the great middleweight boxer, Sugar Ray Robinson, you'll appreciate that description. Both fighter and fish connote agility, speed and stamina.

If it's dramatic surface action you prefer, the smallmouth is your game. He's showman, acrobat, dancer and a speedster who can counterpunch with the best.

Perhaps you're among those anglers who disdain bass in favor of the more handsome and aristocratic trout and salmon. If you are, you may be missing some great sport.

We have some highly productive bass waters among our local ponds, lakes and rivers. Whether you're a bait caster, fly fisherman or spinning enthusiast, grab that rod and go after the belligerent bass. You'll enjoy doing battle with them.

By the way, in Oxford County from April 1 to June 20 bass may be taken on artificial lures only and the daily limit is three.

From June 21 through the balance of the season bass may be taken under general fishing provisions. Be sure to consult the Open Water Fishing Regulations as they apply to your plans. Good luck.



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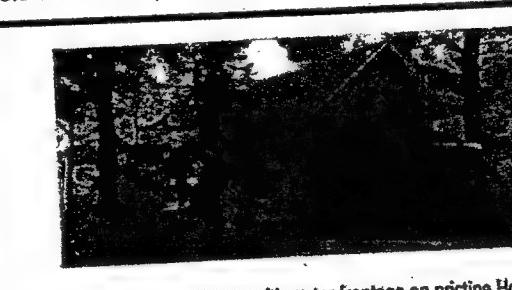
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**Canoeing
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The usual starting point is at the three-holes, with the put-in on the Mexico side of the river, about three miles above Hale Bridge.

Two sections offer particular difficulty and can both be portaged, depending on ability and water conditions.

Below Hale Bridge is a four-foot drop with very strong current. Without the right approach, the canoeist can expect to swim.

A mandatory portage is immediately after this drop on the right. A

large dam is located $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile downstream.

The second section requiring scouting is the section called "The Tubs."

This section requires handling heavy water and maneuvering a letter-S pattern between the ledges.

The river meanders down the last five miles to the Androscoggin River with plenty of current and boulders to avoid.

Little Androscoggin

Another river fun to canoe, and not quite as difficult, is the Little Androscoggin River, running from Greenwood to Snow Falls. But be

sure to take out before the falls. One good place to put in is by Rt. 219 in Greenwood, about five miles from West Paris.

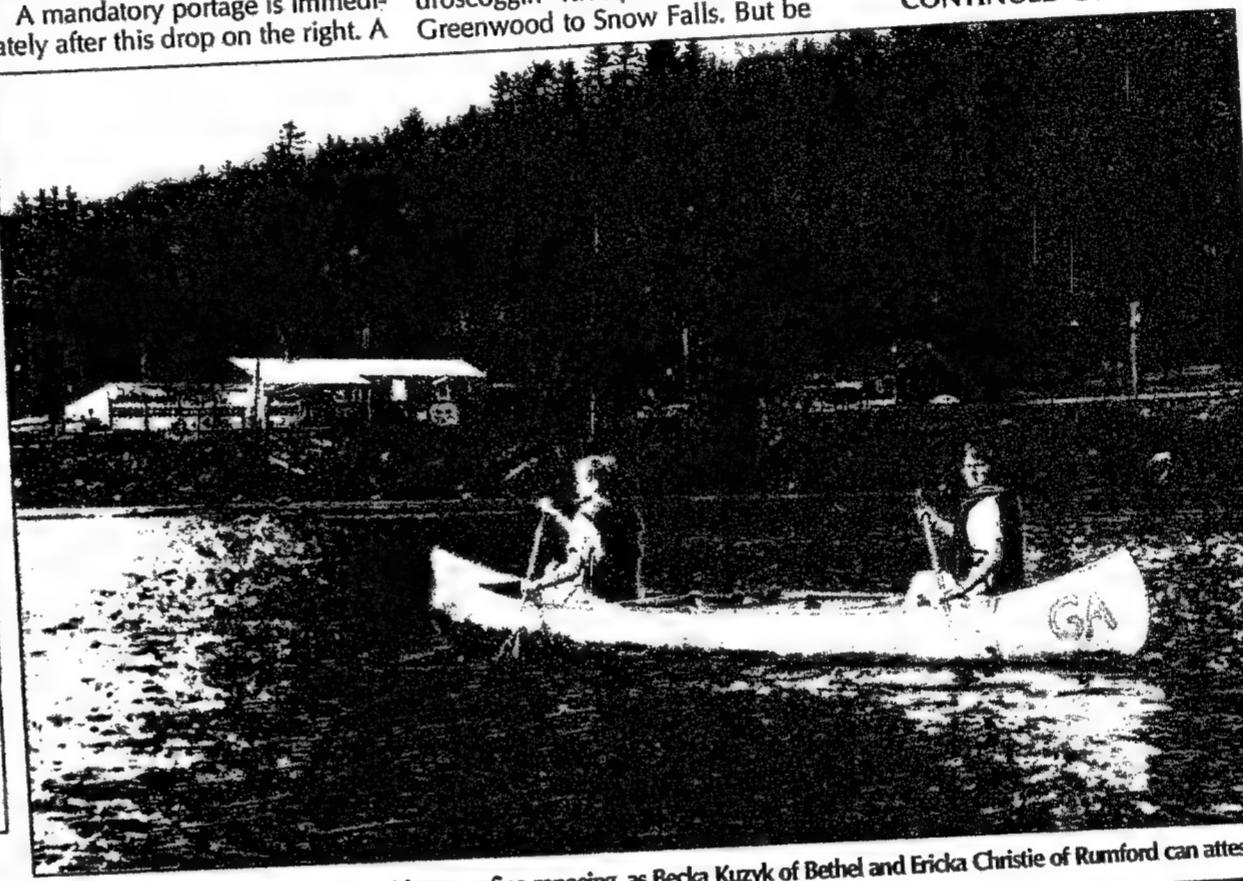
The river takes about three hours to canoe the stretch to the lower Pioneer Street Bridge.

One dam in the center of West Paris requires portaging on the left.

The river rises quickly and drops quickly. So examination of water levels makes the difference between a fun afternoon of canoeing and dragging a canoe over the rocky bottom.

One river offers white water

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canoeing spring, summer, and fall. The upper section of the Androscoggin River has dam-controlled water levels. Starting in Errol, N.H., just over the Maine line from Upton, the river has consistent Class I and II rapids through 13 miles of natural woodlands. The river has five miles of flat water before the two miles of continuous rapids called the Ponthooks, starting at the dam. Errol offers canoe and kayak rentals and lessons for novice to expert.

Any of the lakes can be canoeed. Most lakes have a public landing, although a canoe can be lowered over the banking wherever one wishes. The lakes of South Pond and Round Pond, in Locke Mills, interconnect and offer a pleasing balance between a large lake and smaller sections between islands. North Pond, Twitchell Pond, both in Greenwood, Songe Pond, in Albany, and Howard Pond, in Hanover, offer peaceful canoeing with great views of nature.

Canoe racing is growing as a competitive sport. The greater Bethel area has several races throughout the spring and summer for the novice to expert. Some of the races are really fun for spectators as well as participants. Canoe racing starts as soon as the ice is out of the rivers in the spring and continues throughout the summer, although most summer racing is flat-water. Races are held on the Swift River, with excellent viewing at each of the difficult stretches (Hale Bridge and The Tubs), Sunday River, the Androscoggin River, starting at Bethel, the Saco, the Ellis River, and the upper Androscoggin.

The upper Androscoggin race, usually the first weekend in August, has slalom canoe and kayaking, as well as downhill racing, with excellent views from the Route 26 bridge over the rapids. The mass start in this race makes it trickier and more fun to watch.

Canoeing precautions advise 'Be Prepared'

If you are unfamiliar with a river and have reason to be concerned about high water flows, consult local canoeists or professional guides who know the river before running it.

Let someone know where you are going and when you expect to return, so that if you are late returning appropriate action can be taken to locate you.

If you find yourself canoeing on a river with unexpectedly swift current, scout rapids before running them and if in doubt of your ability, portage around them.

Maine law requires that each passenger in a watercraft have a personal flotation device (PFD). Except for personal watercraft such as jet skis, the law does not require that PFD's be worn; however, it is strongly recommended that you do.

Even during the summer cool air or cold water temperatures can

cause dunked canoeists to suffer a chilly and uncomfortable experience, possibly even hypothermia.

When on the water you should take precautions to bring along extra clothing and a towel that can be kept dry in a waterproof gear bag or tightly sealed plastic trash bag.

Your clothing change should include a wool jacket or one made of a modern, quick-drying, synthetic fabric.

A number of outdoor apparel companies offer dry suits, as one

piece items or as separate tops and pants, for cold water protection to make whitewater boating safer and more comfortable.

Drysuits seal out water by using waterproof materials and zipper entries and snug fitting rubber seals at the neck, wrists and ankles.

These suits are loose fitting garments that can be worn over warm clothes.

When planning your canoe trip the Boy Scout motto of "Be Prepared" applies and to this we would add—and prudent.

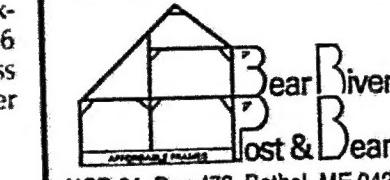


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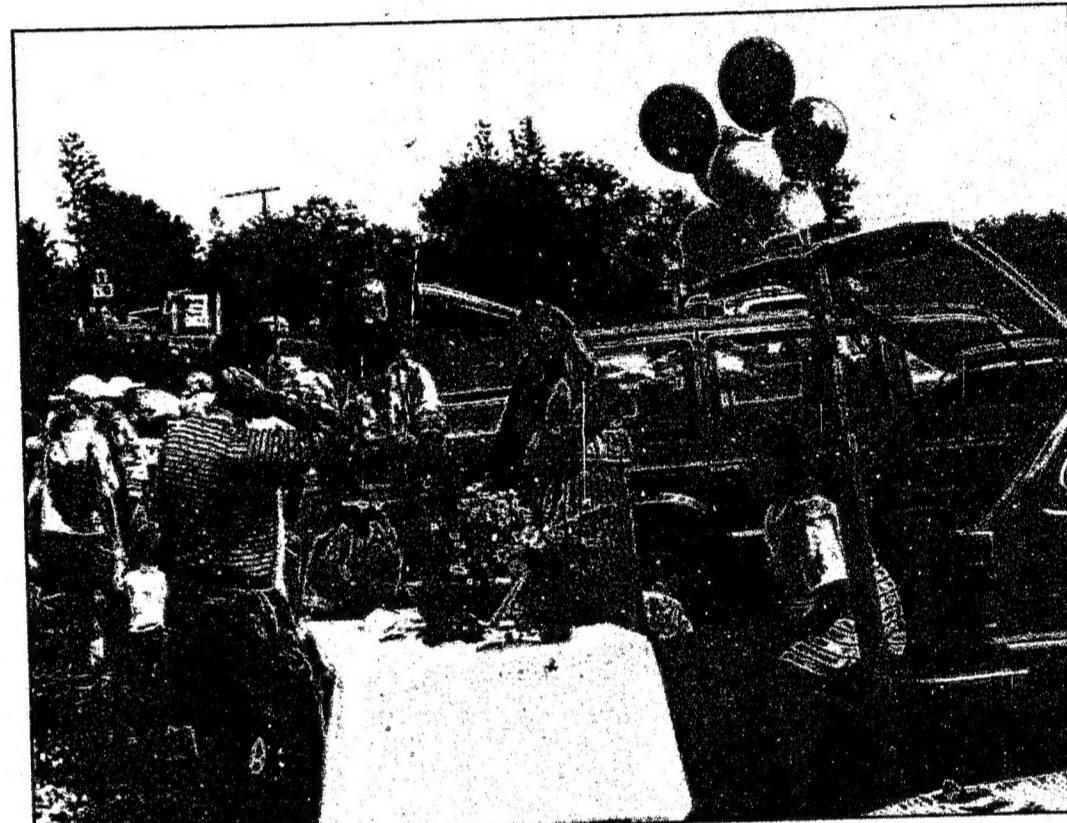
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SPINNERS show off their skills and their wares at the Farmer's Market.

The Bethel Farmers' Market is held Saturdays in the summer, from 9 a.m. until noon on Church Street, across from the Gould Academy Field House. Tentative opening date for the 1990 season is June 30, depending on the crops. The Market usually continues through September, offering a summer's supply of fresh produce, baked goods, cut flowers and herbs.

Bethel Farmers' Market

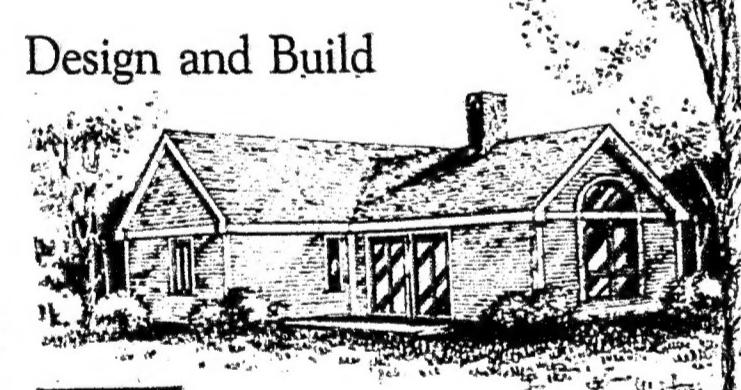


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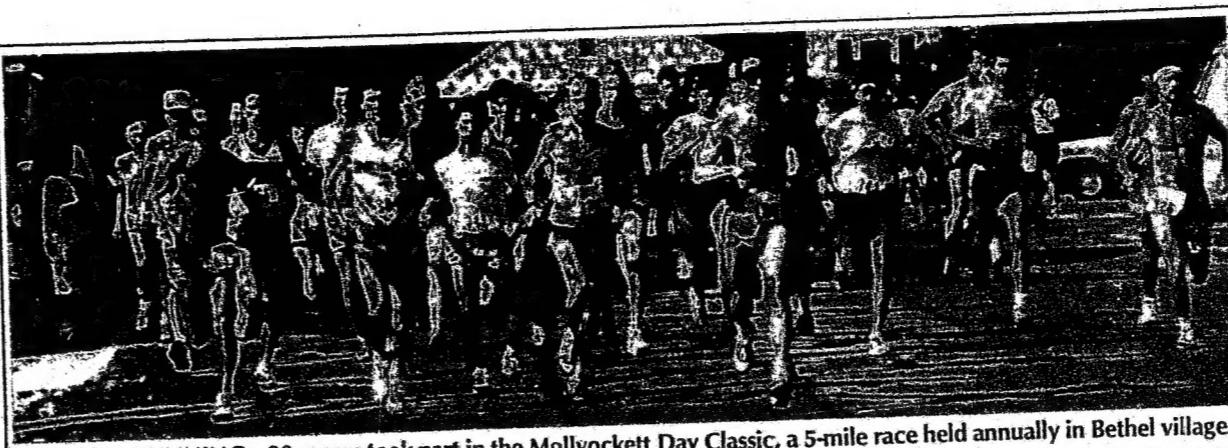
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